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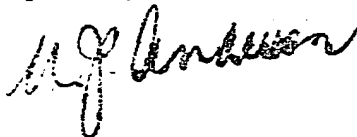
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The following statement is a full description of this invention, including the best method of performing it known to me/us

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ABSTRACT

A process for stimulating a lymphocyte proliferative response in humans which comprises treating humans in need of stimulation of a lymphocyte proliferative response with a recombinant HIV portion of an HTLV-III protein selected from the group consisting of R10, PB1, 590 and KHI, wherein members of said group are as hereinbefore described.

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DESCRIPTION

RECOMBINANT HTLV-III PROTEINS
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Background of the Invention

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Human T-cell lymphotropic virus (HTLV-III), lymphadenopathy-associated virus (LAV), or AIDS-associated retrovirus (ARV) has been identified as the cause of acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) (Popovic, M., Sarngadharan, M.G., Read, E. and Gallo, R.C., [1984] Science 224:497-500). The virus displays tropism for the OKT4⁺ lymphocyte subset (Klatzmann, D., Barre-Sinoussi, F., Nugeyre, M.T., Dauguet, C., Vilmer, E., Griscelli, C., Brun-Vezinet, F., Rouzioux, C., Gluckman, J.C., Chermann, J.C. and Montagnier, L. [1984] Science 225:59-63). Antibodies against HTLV-III proteins in the sera of most AIDS and AIDS related complex (ARC) patients, and in asymptomatic people infected with the virus (Sarngadharan, M.G., Popovic, M., Bruch, L., Schupbach, J. and Gallo, R.C. [1984] Science 224:506-508) have made possible the development of immunologically based tests that detect antibodies to these antigens. These tests are used to limit the spread of HTLV-III through blood transfusion by identifying blood samples of people infected with the virus. Diagnostic tests currently available commercially use the proteins of inactivated virus as antigens.

In addition to allowing new approaches for diagnosis, recombinant DNA holds great promise for the development of vaccines against both bacteria and viruses (Wilson, T. [1984] Bio/Technology 2:29-39).

5 The most widely employed organisms to express recombinant vaccines have been E. coli, S. cerevisiae and cultured mammalian cells. For example, subunit vaccines against foot and mouth disease (Kleid, D.G., Yansura, D., Small, B., Dowbenko, D., Moore, D.M.,
10 Brubman, M.J., McKercher, P.D., Morgan, D.O., Robertson, B.H. and Bachrach, H.L. [1981] Science 214:1125-1129) and malaria (Young, J.F., Hockmeyer, W.T., Gross, M., Ripley Ballou, W., Wirtz, R.A., Trosper, J.H., Beaudoin, R.L., Hollingdale, M.R., Miller, L.M., Diggs, C.L.
15 and Rosenberg, M. [1985] Science 228:958-962) have been synthesized in E. coli. Other examples are hepatitis B surface antigen produced in yeast (McAleer, W.J., Buynak, E.B., Maigetter, R.Z., Wampler, D.E., Miller, W.J. and Hilleman, M.R. [1984] Nature 307:
20 178-180) and a herpes vaccine produced in mammalian cells (Berman, P.W., Gregory, T., Chase, D. and Lasky, L.A. [1984] Science 227:1490-1492).

25 There is a real need at this time to develop a vaccine for AIDS. No such vaccine is known to exist.

Brief Summary of the Invention

30 The subject invention concerns novel recombinant HTLV-III proteins and the uses thereof. More specifically, the subject invention concerns novel recombinant HTLV-III envelope proteins which can be used in the diagnosis, prophylaxis or therapy of AIDS. Further, the recombinant HTLV-III envelope protein

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fragments of the invention can be used to stimulate a lymphocyte proliferative response in HTLV-III infected humans. This then would stimulate the immune system to respond to HTLV-III in such individuals and, therefore, the envelope protein fragments can provide protection and be of therapeutic value. These novel proteins are encoded on bacterial plasmids which can be used to transform suitable hosts, for example, E. coli, using standard procedures.

Reference to the Drawings

FIGURE 1--This is a flow chart of the construction of plasmid pREV2.2 which is used to construct vectors encoding novel proteins.

FIGURE 2--This is a diagram of plasmid pREV2.2 showing the multiple cloning site.

FIGURE 3--This is a schematic of the HTLV-III envelope gene and the novel recombinant proteins obtained therefrom.

FIGURE 4--Drawing showing the removal of N-terminal non-HTLV-III sequences of PB1.

FIGURE 5--Drawing showing the removal of C-terminal non-HTLV-III sequences from PB1.

Detailed Disclosure of the Invention

Expression vector plasmid pREV2.2 was constructed from plasmid pBG1. The flow chart showing the construction of this plasmid is given in Figure 1 of the drawings.

Plasmid pR10 contains approximately 1275 base pairs of DNA encoding the HTLV-III env gene from essentially

the KpnI site to the BglIII site. This plasmid in a suitable bacterial host, e.g., E. coli, can be used to produce the novel recombinant HTLV-III 95 kD fusion protein denoted R10. The amino acid sequence of fusion protein R10 is shown in Table 8; the DNA sequence encoding this protein is shown in Table 8A. The amino acid sequence of the HIV portion of protein R10 is shown in Table 12. The DNA sequence encoding the HIV portion of protein R10 is shown in Table 12A.

Plasmid pPB1 contains approximately 540 base pairs of DNA encoding essentially the HTLV-III env gene from the PvuII site to the BglIII site. This plasmid in a suitable host, e.g., E. coli, can be used to produce the novel recombinant HTLV-III 26 kD fusion protein denoted PB1. The amino acid sequence of fusion protein PB1 is shown in Table 9; the DNA sequence encoding this protein is shown in Table 9A. The amino acid sequence of the HIV portion of protein PB1 is shown in Table 13. The DNA sequence encoding the HIV portion of protein PB1 is shown in Table 13A.

Plasmid p590 contains approximately 1055 base pairs of DNA encoding essentially the HTLV-III env gene from the PvuII site to the HindIII site. This plasmid in a suitable host, e.g., E. coli, can be used to produce the novel recombinant HTLV-III 86 kD protein denoted 590. The amino acid sequence of fusion protein 590 is shown in Table 10; the DNA sequence encoding this protein is shown in Table 10A. The amino acid sequence of the HIV portion of protein 590 is shown in Table 14. The DNA sequence encoding the HIV portion of protein 590 is shown in Table 14A.

Plasmid pKH1 contains approximately 1830 base pairs of DNA encoding essentially the HTLV-III env gene from the KpnI site to the HindIII site. This plasmid in a suitable host, e.g., E. coli, can be used to produce the novel recombinant HTLV-III 70 kD protein denoted KH1. The amino acid sequence of fusion protein KH1 is shown in Table 11; the DNA sequence encoding this protein is shown in Table 11A. The amino acid sequence of the HIV portion of protein KH1 is shown in Table 15. The DNA sequence encoding the HIV portion of protein KH1 is shown in Table 15A.

Plasmid pBG1 is deposited in the E. coli host MS371 with the Northern Regional Research Laboratory (NRRL), U.S. Department of Agriculture, Peoria, Illinois, USA. It is in the permanent collection of this repository. E. coli MS371(pBG1), NRRL B-15904, was deposited on Nov. 1, 1984. E. coli MS371, NRRL B-15129 is now available to the public. E. coli SG20251, NRRL B-15918, was deposited on Dec. 12, 1984. NRRL B-15904 and NRRL B-15918 will be available to the public upon the grant of a patent which discloses them. Other cultures which were deposited with NRRL and their deposit dates and numbers are as follows:

	<u>Culture</u>	<u>Repository No.</u>	<u>Date of Deposit</u>
25	<u>E. coli</u> JM103(pREV2.2)	NRRL B-18091	July 30, 1986
	<u>E. coli</u> SG20251(pR10)	NRRL B-18093	July 30, 1986
	<u>E. coli</u> SG20251(pPB1)	NRRL B-18092	July 30, 1986
	<u>E. coli</u> SG20251(p590)	NRRL B-18094	July 30, 1986
	<u>E. coli</u> CAG629(pKH1)	NRRL B-18095	July 30, 1986

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The above deposits will be maintained in the NRRL repository for at least 30 years and will be made available to the public upon the grant of a patent disclosing them. The deposits are also available as required by foreign patent laws in countries wherein counterparts of the subject application, or its progeny, are filed. However, it should be understood that the availability of a deposit does not constitute a license to practice the subject invention in derogation of patent rights granted by governmental action.

The novel HTLV-III proteins of the subject invention can be expressed in Saccharomyces cerevisiae using plasmids containing the inducible galactose promoter from this organism (Broach, J.R., Li, Y., Wu, L.C. and Jayaram, M. in Experimental Manipulation of Gene Expression [1983] p. 83, ed. M. Inouye, Academic Press). These plasmids are called YEp51 and YEp52 (Broach, J.R. et al. [1983]) and contain the E. coli origin of replication, the gene for β -lactamase, the yeast LEU2 gene, the 2 μ m origin of replication and the 2 μ m circle REP3 locus. Recombinant gene expression is driven by the yeast GAL10 gene promoter.

Yeast promoters such as galactose and alcohol dehydrogenase (Bennetzen, J.L. and Hall, B.D. [1982] J. Biol. Chem. 257:3018; Ammerer, G. in Methods in Enzymology [1983] Vol. 101, p. 192), phosphoglycerate kinase (Derynck, R., Hitzeman, R.A., Gray, P.W., Goeddel, D.V., in Experimental Manipulation of Gene Expression [1983] p. 247, ed. M. Inouye, Academic Press), triose phosphate isomerase (Alber, T. and Kawasaki, G. [1982] J. Molec. and Applied Genet. 1:419), or enolase (Innes, M.A. et al. [1985] Science 226:21) can be used.

The genes disclosed herein can be expressed in simian cells. When the genes encoding these proteins are cloned into one of the plasmids as described in Okayama and Berg (Okayama, H. and Berg, P. [1983] Molec. and Cell. Biol. 3:280) and references therein, or COS cells transformed with these plasmids, synthesis of HTLV-III proteins can be detected immunologically.

Other mammalian cell gene expression/protein production systems can be used. Examples of other such systems are the vaccinia virus expression system (Moss, B. [1985] Immunology Today 6:243; Chakrabarti, S., Brechling, K., Moss, B. [1985] Molec. and Cell. Biol. 5:3403) and the vectors derived from murine retroviruses (Mulligan, R.C. in Experimental Manipulation of Gene Expression [1983] p. 155, ed. M. Inouye, Academic Press).

The HTLV-III proteins of the subject invention can be chemically synthesized by solid phase peptide synthetic techniques such as BOC and FMOC (Merrifield, R.B. [1963] J. Amer. Chem. Soc. 85:2149; Chang, C. and Meienhofer, J. [1978] Int. J. Peptide Protein Res. 11:246).

As is well known in the art, the amino acid sequence of a protein is determined by the nucleotide sequence of the DNA. Because of the redundancy of the genetic code, i.e., more than one coding nucleotide triplet (codon) can be used for most of the amino acids used to make proteins, different nucleotide sequences can code for a particular amino acid. Thus, the genetic code can be depicted as follows:

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	Phenylalanine (Phe)	TTK	Histidine (His)	CAK
	Leucine (Leu)	XTY	Glutamine (Gln)	CAJ
	Isoleucine (Ile)	ATM	Asparagine (Asn)	AAK
	Methionine (Met)	ATG	Lysine (Lys)	AAJ
5	Valine (Val)	GTL	Aspartic acid (Asp)	GAK
	Serine (Ser)	QRS	Glutamic acid (Glu)	CAJ
	Proline (Pro)	CCL	Cysteine (Cys)	TGK
	Threonine (Thr)	ACL	Tryptophan (Trp)	TGG
	Alanine (Ala)	GCL	Arginine (Arg)	WGZ
10	Tyrosine (Tyr)	TAK	Glycine (Gly)	GGL
	Termination Signal	TAJ		
	Termination Signal	TGA		

15 Key: Each 3-letter deoxynucleotide triplet corresponds to a trinucleotide of mRNA, having a 5'-end on the left and a 3'-end on the right. All DNA sequences given herein are those of the strand whose sequence corresponds to the mRNA sequence, with thymine substituted for uracil. The letters stand for the purine or pyrimidine bases forming the deoxynucleotide sequence.

20 A = adenine
G = guanine
C = cytosine
T = thymine

25 X = T or C if Y is A or G
X = C if Y is C or T
Y = A, G, C or T if X is C
Y = A or G if X is T
W = C or A if Z is A or G
30 W = C if Z is C or T
Z = A, G, C or T if W is C
Z = A or G if W is A
QR = TC if S is A, G, C or T; alternatively QR =
AG if S is T or C

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J = A or G

K = T or C

L = A, T, C or G

M = A, C or T

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The above shows that the novel amino acid sequences of the HTLV-III proteins of the subject invention can be prepared by nucleotide sequences other than those disclosed herein. Functionally equivalent nucleotide sequences encoding the novel amino acid sequences of these HTLV-III proteins, or fragments thereof having HTLV-III antigenic or immunogenic or therapeutic activity, can be prepared by known synthetic procedures. Accordingly, the subject invention includes such functionally equivalent nucleotide sequences.

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Thus the scope of the subject invention includes not only the specific nucleotide sequences depicted herein, but also all equivalent nucleotide sequences coding for molecules with substantially the same HTLV-III antigenic or immunogenic or therapeutic activity.

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Further, the scope of the subject invention is intended to cover not only the specific amino acid sequences disclosed, but also similar sequences coding for proteins or protein fragments having comparable ability to induce the formation of and/or bind to specific HTLV-III antibodies.

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The term "equivalent" is being used in its ordinary patent usage here as denoting a nucleotide sequence which performs substantially as the nucleotide sequence identified herein to produce molecules with substantially the same HTLV-III antigenic or immunogenic or therapeutic activity in essentially the same kind of hosts. Within this definition are subfragments which have HTLV-III antigenic or immunogenic or therapeutic activity.

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As disclosed above, it is well within the skill of those in the genetic engineering art to use the nucleotide sequences encoding HTLV-III antigenic or immunogenic or therapeutic activity of the subject invention to produce HTLV-III proteins via microbial processes. Fusing the sequences into an expression vector and transforming or transfecting into hosts, either eukaryotic (yeast or mammalian cells) or prokaryotic (bacterial cells), are standard procedures used in producing other well-known proteins, e.g., insulin, interferons, human growth hormone, IL-1, IL-2, and the like. Similar procedures, or obvious modifications thereof, can be employed to prepare HTLV-III proteins by microbial means or tissue-culture technology in accord with the subject invention.

The nucleotide sequences disclosed herein can be prepared by a "gene machine" by procedures well known in the art. This is possible because of the disclosure of the nucleotide sequence.

The restriction enzymes disclosed can be purchased from Bethesda Research Laboratories, Gaithersburg, MD, or New England Biolabs, Beverly, MA. The enzymes are used according to the instructions provided by the supplier.

The various methods employed in the preparation of the plasmids and transformation of host organisms are well known in the art. These procedures are all described in Maniatis, T., Fritsch, E.F., and Sambrook, J. (1982) Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, New York. Thus, it is within the skill of those in the genetic engineering

art to extract DNA from microbial cells, perform
restriction enzyme digestions, electrophorese DNA
fragments, tail and anneal plasmid and insert DNA,
ligate DNA, transform cells, e.g., E. coli cells,
5 prepare plasmid DNA, electrophorese proteins, and
sequence DNA.

Immunochemical assays employing the HTLV-III
proteins of the invention can take a variety of forms.
The preferred type is a solid phase immunometric assay.
10 In assays of this type, an HTLV-III protein is immobilized
on a solid phase to form an antigen-immunoadsorbent.
The immunoadsorbent is incubated with the sample to be
tested. After an appropriate incubation period, the
immunoadsorbent is separated from the sample and
15 labeled anti-(human IgG) antibody is used to detect
human anti-HTLV-III antibody bound to the immunoadsor-
bent. The amount of label associated with the immuno-
adsorbent can be compared to positive and negative
controls to assess the presence or absence of anti-
20 HTLV-III antibody.

The immunoadsorbent can be prepared by adsorbing
or coupling a purified HTLV-III protein to a solid
phase. Various solid phases can be used, such as
beads formed of glass, polystyrene, polypropylene,
25 dextran or other material. Other suitable solid phases
include tubes or plates formed from or coated with
these materials.

The HTLV-III proteins can be either covalently or
non-covalently bound to the solid phase by techniques
30 such as covalent bonding via an amide or ester linkage
or adsorption. After the HTLV-III protein is affixed
to the solid phase, the solid phase can be post-coated
with an animal protein, e.g., 3% fish gelatin. This
provides a blocking protein which reduces nonspecific

adsorption of protein to the immunoadsorbent surface.

The immunoadsorbent is then incubated with the sample to be tested for anti-HTLV-III antibody. In blood screening, blood plasma or serum is used. The plasma or serum is diluted with normal animal plasma or serum. The diluent plasma or serum is derived from the same animal species that is the source of the anti-(human IgG) antibody. The preferred anti-(human IgG) antibody is goat anti-(human IgG) antibody. Thus, in the preferred format, the diluent would be goat serum or plasma.

The conditions of incubation, e.g., pH and temperature, and the duration of incubation are not crucial. These parameters can be optimized by routine experimentation. Generally, the incubation will be run for 1-2 hr at about 45°C in a buffer of pH 7-8.

After incubation, the immunoadsorbent and the sample are separated. Separation can be accomplished by any conventional separation technique such as sedimentation or centrifugation. The immunoadsorbent then may be washed free of sample to eliminate any interfering substances.

The immunoadsorbent is incubated with the labeled anti-(human IgG) antibody (tracer) to detect human antibody bound thereto. Generally the immunoadsorbent is incubated with a solution of the labeled anti-(human IgG) antibody which contains a small amount (about 1%) of the serum or plasma of the animal species which serves as the source of the anti-(human IgG) antibody. Anti-(human IgG) antibody can be obtained from any animal source. However, goat anti-(human IgG) antibody is preferred. The anti-(human IgG) antibody can be an

antibody against the Fc fragment of human IgG, for example, goat anti-(human IgG) Fc antibody.

The anti-(human IgG) antibody or anti-(human IgG)Fc can be labeled with a radioactive material such as ¹²⁵iodine; labeled with an optical label, such as a fluorescent material; or labeled with an enzyme such as horseradish peroxidase. The anti-human antibody can also be biotinylated and labeled avidin used to detect its binding to the immunoabsorbent.

After incubation with the labeled antibody, the immunoabsorbent is separated from the solution and the label associated with the immunoabsorbent is evaluated. Depending upon the choice of label, the evaluation can be done in a variety of ways. The label may be detected by a gamma counter if the label is a radioactive gamma emitter, or by a fluorimeter, if the label is a fluorescent material. In the case of an enzyme, label detection may be done colorimetrically employing a substrate for the enzyme.

The amount of label associated with the immunoabsorbent is compared with positive and negative controls in order to determine the presence of anti-HTLV-III antibody. The controls are generally run concomitantly with the sample to be tested. A positive control is a serum containing antibody against HTLV-III; a negative control is a serum from healthy individuals which does not contain antibody against HTLV-III.

For convenience and standardization, reagents for the performance of the immunometric assay can be assembled in assay kits. A kit for screening blood, for example, can include:

- (a) an immunoabsorbent, e.g., a polystyrene bead coated with an HTLV-III protein;

- 5 (b) a diluent for the serum or plasma sample, e.g., normal goat serum or plasma;
- (c) an anti-(human IgG) antibody, e.g., goat anti-(human IgG) antibody in buffered, aqueous solution containing about 1% goat serum or plasma;
- 10 (d) a positive control, e.g., serum containing antibody against at least one of the novel HTLV-III proteins; and
- (e) a negative control, e.g., pooled sera from healthy individuals which does not contain antibody against at least one of the novel HTLV-III proteins..

15 If the label is an enzyme, an additional element of the kit can be the substrate for the enzyme.

Another type of assay for anti-HTLV-III antibody is an antigen sandwich assay. In this assay, a labeled HTLV-III protein is used in place of anti-(human IgG) antibody to detect anti-HTLV-III antibody bound to the immunoadsorbent. The assay is based in principle on the bivalency of antibody molecules. One binding site of the antibody binds the antigen affixed to the solid phase; the second is available for binding the labeled antigen. The assay procedure is essentially the same as described for the immunometric assay except that after incubation with the sample, the immunoadsorbent is incubated with a solution of labeled HTLV-III protein. HTLV-III proteins can be labeled with radioisotope, an enzyme, etc. for this type of assay.

30 In a third format, the bacterial protein, protein A, which binds the Fc segment of an IgG molecule without interfering with the antigen-antibody interaction can be used as the labeled tracer to detect anti-HTLV-antibody adsorbed to the immunoadsorbent. Protein A

can be readily labeled with a radioisotope, enzyme or other detectable species.

Immunochemical assays employing an HTLV-III protein have several advantages over those employing a whole (or disrupted) virus. Assays based upon an HTLV-III protein will alleviate the concern over growing large quantities of infectious virus and the inherent variability associated with cell culturing and virus production. Further, the assay will help mitigate the real or perceived fear of contracting AIDS by technicians in hospitals, clinics and blood banks who perform the test.

Vaccines comprising one or more of the HTLV-III proteins, disclosed herein, and variants thereof having antigenic properties, can be prepared by procedures well known in the art. For example, such vaccines can be prepared as injectables, e.g., liquid solutions or suspensions. Solid forms for solution in, or suspension in, a liquid prior to injection also can be prepared. Optionally, the preparation also can be emulsified. The active antigenic ingredient or ingredients can be mixed with excipients which are pharmaceutically acceptable and compatible with the active ingredient. Examples of suitable excipients are water, saline, dextrose, glycerol, ethanol, or the like, and combinations thereof. In addition, if desired, the vaccine can contain minor amounts of auxiliary substances such as wetting or emulsifying agents, pH buffering agents, or adjuvants, which enhance the effectiveness of the vaccine. The vaccines are conventionally administered parenterally, by injection, for example, either subcutaneously or intramuscularly. Additional formulations which are suitable for other modes of administration include suppositories and, in some cases, oral formulations.

For suppositories, traditional binders and carriers include, for example, polyalkylene glycols or triglycerides. Suppositories can be formed from mixtures containing the active ingredient in the range of about 0.5% to about 10%, preferably about 1 to about 2%.

Oral formulations can include such normally employed excipients as, for example, pharmaceutical grades of manitol, lactose, starch, magnesium stearate, sodium saccharine, cellulose, magnesium carbonate and the like. These compositions can take the form of solutions, suspensions, tablets, pills, capsules, sustained release formulations or powders and contain from about 10% to about 95% of active ingredient, preferably from about 25% to about 70%.

The proteins can be formulated into the vaccine as neutral or salt forms. Pharmaceutically acceptable salts include the acid addition salts (formed with the free amino groups of the peptide) and which are formed with inorganic acids such as, for example, hydrochloric or phosphoric acids, or such organic acids as acetic, oxalic, tartaric, mandelic, and the like. Salts formed with the free carboxyl groups also can be derived from inorganic bases such as, for example, sodium, potassium, ammonium, calcium, or ferric hydroxides, and such organic bases as isopropylamine, trimethylamine, 2-ethylamino ethanol, histidine, procaine, and the like.

The vaccines are administered in a manner compatible with the dosage formulation, and in such amount as will be therapeutically effective and immunogenic. The quantity to be administered depends on the subject to be treated, capacity of the subject's immune system to synthesize antibodies, and the degree of protection desired. Precise amounts of active ingredient required

to be administered depend on the judgment of the practitioner and are peculiar to each individual. However, suitable dosage ranges are of the order of about several hundred micrograms active ingredient per individual. Suitable regimes for initial administration and booster shots are also variable, but are typified by an initial administration followed in one or two week intervals by a subsequent injection or other administration.

10 HTLV-III is known to undergo amino acid sequence variation, particularly in the envelope gene (Starcich, B.R. [1986] Cell 45:637-648; Hahn, B.H. et al. [1986] Science 232:1548-1553). Over 100 variants have been analyzed by molecular cloning and restriction enzyme recognition analysis, and several of these have been analyzed by nucleotide sequencing. Some of these are the HTLV-III isolates known as RF (Popovic, M. et al. [1984] Science 224:497-500), WMJ-1 (Hahn, B.H. et al. [1986] Science 232:1548-1553), LAV (Wain-Hobson, S. et al. [1985] Cell 40:9-17), and ARV-2 (Sanchez-Pescador, R. et al. [1985] Science 227:484-492). Although the subject invention describes the sequence from one HTLV-III isolate, the appropriate envelope regions of any HTLV-III isolate can be produced using the procedures described herein for preparing R10, PBl, 590, and KH1. The HTLV-III proteins from different viral isolates can be used in vaccine preparations, as disclosed above, to protect against infections by different HTLV-III isolates. Further, a vaccine preparation can be

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made using more than one recombinant antigenic protein from more than one HTLV-III isolate to provide immunity and thus give better protection against AIDS.

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Following are examples which illustrate the process of the invention, including the best mode. These examples should not be construed as limiting. All solvent mixture proportions are by volume unless otherwise noted.

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Example 1--Construction of plasmid pREV2.2

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The pREV2.2 plasmid expression vector was constructed from plasmid pBG1. Plasmid pBG1 can be isolated from its E. coli host by well known procedures, e.g., using cleared lysate-isopycnic density gradient procedures, and the like. Like pBG1, pREV2.2 expresses inserted genes behind the E. coli promoter. The differences between pBG1 and pREV2.2 are the following:

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1. pREV2.2 lacks a functional replication of plasmid (rop) protein.
2. pREV2.2 has the trpA transcription terminator inserted into the AatII site. This sequence insures transcription termination of over-expressed genes.

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3. pREV2.2 has genes to provide resistance to ampicillin and chloramphenicol, whereas pBG1 provides resistance only to ampicillin.
4. pREV2.2 contains a sequence encoding sites for several restriction endonucleases.

The following procedures, shown in Figure 1 of the drawings, were used to make each of the four changes listed above:

- 1a. 5 µg of plasmid pBG1 was restricted with NdeI which gives two fragments of approximately 2160 and 3440 base pairs.
- 1b. 0.1 µg of DNA from the digestion mixture, after inactivation of the NdeI, was treated with T4 DNA ligase under conditions that favor intramolecular ligation (200 µl reaction volume using standard T4 ligase reaction conditions [New England Biolabs, Beverly, MA]). Intramolecular ligation of the 3440 base pair fragment gave an ampicillin resistant plasmid. The ligation mixture was transformed into the recipient strain E. coli JM103 (available from New England Biolabs) and ampicillin resistant clones were selected by standard procedures.
- 1c. The product plasmid, pBG1ΔN, where the 2160 base pair NdeI fragment is deleted from pBG1, was selected by preparing plasmid from ampicillin resistant clones and determining

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the restriction digestion patterns with NdeI and SalI (product fragments approximately 1790 and 1650). This deletion inactivates the rop gene that controls plasmid replication.

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2a. 5 µg of pBGlΔN was then digested with EcoRI and BclI and the larger fragment, approximately 2455 base pairs, was isolated.

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2b. A synthetic double stranded fragment was prepared by the procedure of Itakura et al. (Itakura, K., Rossi, J.J. and Wallace, R.B. [1984] Ann. Rev. Biochem. 53:323-356, and references therein) with the structure shown in Table 1. This fragment has BclI and EcoRI sticky ends and contains recognition sequences for several restriction endonucleases.

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2c. 0.1 µg of the 2455 base pair EcoRI-BclI fragment and 0.01 µg of the synthetic fragment were joined with T4 DNA ligase and competent cells of strain JM103 were transformed. Cells harboring the recombinant plasmid, where the synthetic fragment was inserted into pBGlΔN between the BclI and EcoRI sites, were selected by digestion of the plasmid with HpaI and EcoRI. The diagnostic fragment sizes are approximately 2355 and 200 base pairs. This plasmid is called pREV1.

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2d. 5 µg of pREV1 were digested with AatII, which cleaves uniquely.

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2e. The double stranded fragment shown in Table 2 was synthesized. This fragment has AatII sticky ends and contains the trpA transcription termination sequence.

2f. 0.1 µg of AatII digested pREV1 was ligated with 0.01 µg of the synthetic fragment in a volume

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of 20 μ l using T4 DNA ligase.

2g. Cells of strain JM103, made competent, were transformed and ampicillin resistant clones selected.

2h. Using a KpnI, EcoRI double restriction digest of plasmid isolated from selected colonies, a cell containing the correct construction was isolated. The sizes of the KpnI, EcoRI generated fragments are approximately 2475 and 80 base pairs. This plasmid is called pREV1TT and contains the trpA transcription terminator.

3a. 5 μ g of pREV1TT, prepared as disclosed above (by standard methods) was cleaved with NdeI and XmnI and the approximately 850 base pair fragment was isolated.

3b. 5 μ g of plasmid pBR325 (BRL, Gaithersburg, MD), which contains the genes conferring resistance to chloramphenicol as well as to ampicillin and tetracycline, was cleaved with BclI and the ends blunted with Klenow polymerase and deoxynucleotides. After inactivating the enzyme, the mixture was treated with NdeI and the approximately 3185 base pair fragment was isolated. This fragment contains the genes for chloramphenicol and ampicillin resistance and the origin of replication.

3c. 0.1 μ g of the NdeI-XmnI fragment from pREV1TT and the NdeI-BclI fragment from pBR325 were ligated in 20 μ l with T4 DNA ligase and the mixture used to transform competent cells of strain JM103. Cells resistant to both ampicillin and chloramphenicol were selected.

3d. Using an EcoRI and NdeI double digest of plasmid from selected clones, a plasmid was selected giving fragment sizes of approximately 2480, 1145, and 410 base pairs. This is called plasmid pREVlTT/chl and has genes for resistance to both ampicillin and chloramphenicol.

4a. A double stranded fragment shown in Table 3 was synthesized. This fragment, with a blunt end and an SstI sticky end, contains recognition sequences for several restriction enzyme sites.

4b. 5 μ g of pREVlTT/chl was cleaved with NruI (which cleaves about 20 nucleotides from the BclI site) and SstI (which cleaves within the multiple cloning site). The larger fragment, approximately 3990 base pairs, was isolated from an agarose gel.

4c. 0.1 μ g of the NruI-SstI fragment from pREVlTT/chl and 0.01 μ g of the synthetic fragment were treated with T4 DNA ligase in a volume of 20 μ l.

4d. This mixture was transformed into strain JMI03 and ampicillin resistant clones were selected.

4e. Plasmid was purified from several clones and screened by digestion with MluI or ClaI. Recombinant clones with the new multiple cloning site will give one fragment when digested with either of these enzymes, because each cleaves the plasmid once.

4f. The sequence of the multiple cloning site was verified. This was done by restricting the

plasmid with HpaI and PvuII and isolating the 1395 base pair fragment, cloning it into the SmaI site of mpl8 and sequencing it by dideoxynucleotide sequencing using standard methods.

4g. This plasmid, called pREV2.2 is diagrammed in Figure 2 of the drawings.

Example 2--Construction of and expression from pR10

Plasmid pR10, which contains approximately 1275 base pairs of DNA encoding the HTLV-III env gene from essentially the KpnI site to the BglII site, and from which is synthesized an approximately 95 kD fusion protein containing this portion of the gp120 envelope protein, can be constructed as follows:

1. Synthesizing the DNA with the sequence shown in Table 4. This DNA fragment can be synthesized by standard methods (Itakura, et al., supra, and references therein) and encodes a portion of gp120. It has a blunt end on the 5' end and an end which will ligate with a BamHI overhang on the 3' end.
2. Restricting 5 µg of plasmid pBG1 with BclI, filling in the overhanging ends with Klenow polymerase and deoxyribonucleotide triphosphates (dNTPs), restricting this fragment with BamHI and isolating the large fragment, approximately 8.9 kb, from an agarose gel.
3. Ligating 0.1 µg of the fragment in Table 4 with 0.1 µg of the pBG1 fragment in a volume of 20 µl using T4 DNA ligase, transforming the ligation mixture into competent cell strain SG20251 (Gottesman, S., Halpern, E. and Trisler, P. [1981] Journal of Bacteriology 148:265-273), and selecting ampicillin resistant transformants.

4. Selecting, using the AhaIII restriction pattern of purified plasmid, cells harboring the recombinant plasmid with the synthesized fragment in the orientation whereby the fragment blunt end ligated to the pBG1 fragment filled-in BclI end and the BamHI overhanging ends ligated together. AhaIII digestion of the proper plasmid gives fragment lengths of approximately 5300, 3170, 690, 640, 330, and 20 base pairs.

5. When the strain harboring this recombinant plasmid is grown in 2% medium (2% yeast extract, bactotryptone, casamino acids (Difco, Detroit, MI), 0.2% potassium monobasic, 0.2% potassium dibasic, and 0.2% sodium dibasic) containing 50 µg/ml ampicillin and the total complement of cellular proteins electrophoresed on an SDS-polyacrylamide gel, a prominent protein of approximately 95 kD can be visualized by either coomassie blue staining or by western blot analysis using as probe selected sera from AIDS, ARC, or HTLV-III infected individuals.

Example 3--Purification of recombinant protein containing HTLV-III envelope sequences from plasmid pR10

1. Growth of cells:

Cells were grown in a 10 liter volume in a Chemap fermentor (Chemaptec, Woodbury, NY) in 2% medium. Fermentation temperature was 37°C, the pH was 6.8, and air was provided at 1 vvm. Plasmid selection was provided by 50 µg/ml ampicillin. Typical cell yield (wet weight) is 30 g/l.

2. Cell lysis:

50 g, wet cell weight, of E. coli containing the recombinant HTLV-III envelope fusion protein were

resuspended in a final volume of 100 ml in 50 mM Tris-Cl pH 8.0, 5 mM ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (EDTA), 5 mM dithiothreitol (DTT), 15 mM β -mercaptoethanol, 0.5% TRITON[®] X-100, and 5 mM phenylmethylsulfonyl fluoride (PMSF). 300 mg lysozyme was added and the suspension incubated for 30 min at room temperature.

This material was lysed using a BEAD-BEATERTM (Biospec Products, Bartlesville, OK) containing an equal volume of 0.1-0.15 μ m glass beads. The lysis was done for 6 min at room temperature in 1 min intervals. The liquid was separated from the beads and centrifuged for 2.5 hr at 20,000 xg. The supernatant was removed and the pellet dissolved in 100 ml 8 M urea, 20 mM Tris-Cl pH 8.0, 5 mM DTT, 15 mM β -mercaptoethanol, 5 mM PMSF, and 1 mM EDTA. The pellet was solubilized using a polytron homogenizer (Beckman, Berkeley, CA) and centrifuged at 20,000 xg for 2 hr.

3. Diethylaminoethyl (DEAE) chromatography:

Supernatant was loaded onto a 550 ml column (5 cm x 28 cm) packed with DEAE Fast Flow SEPHAROSE[®] (Pharmacia, Piscataway, NJ) equilibrated in 8 M urea, 20 mM Tris-Cl pH 8.0, 15 mM β -mercaptoethanol, and 1 mM KEDTA at room temperature. The column was washed with 1.5 liters equilibration buffer, and the protein eluted with a 5.0 liter linear gradient from 0-0.8 M NaCl in equilibration buffer. The HTLV-III protein eluted at 0.2 M NaCl and was assayed using SDS-polyacrylamide electrophoresis and following the prominent protein at approximately 95 kD.

The fractions containing the HTLV-III protein were pooled and the protein concentrated to 10 ml using a stressed cell positive pressure concentrator

(Amicon, Danvers, MA) fitted with a 10,000 MW cut-off membrane (YM-10, Amicon). The concentrate was loaded onto a 500 ml column (2.5 cm x 100 cm) packed with superfine sephacryl S-300 (Pharmacia) equilibrated in 8 M urea, 20 mM Tris-Cl, pH 8.0, 15 mM β -mercaptoethanol, and 1 mM EDTA. The column was eluted with equilibration buffer at room temperature. A flow rate of 0.5 ml/min was maintained. The HTLV-III protein eluted at approximately 40% of the column volume.

Example 4--Construction of and expression from plasmid

pPB1_{IIIB}

Plasmid pPB1, which contains approximately 540 base pairs of DNA encoding essentially the HTLV-III *env* gene from the PvuII site to the BglII site, and from which is synthesized an approximately 26 kD fusion protein containing this portion of the gp120 envelope protein can be constructed as follows:

1. Synthesizing the DNA with the sequence shown in Table15: This DNA fragment can be synthesized by standard methods and encodes a portion of gp120. It has a blunt end on the 5' end and an end which will ligate with a BamHI overhang on the 3' end.
2. Restricting 5 μ g plasmid pREV2.2 with EcoRV and BamHI and isolating the large fragment, approximately 4 kD, from an agarose gel.
3. Ligating 0.1 μ g of the fragment in Table15 with 0.1 μ g of the pREV2.2 fragment in a volume of 20 μ l using T4 DNA ligase, transforming the ligation mixture into competent cell strain SG20251, and selecting ampicillin resistant transformants.
4. Using the AhaIII restriction pattern of purified plasmid, selecting cells harboring the recombinant

plasmid with the synthesized fragment in the orientation whereby the fragment blunt end ligated to the REV2.2 EcoRV end and the BamHI overhanging ends ligated together. AhaIII digestion of the proper
5 plasmid gives fragment lengths of approximately 1210, 1020, 750, 690, 500, 340, and 20 base pairs. When the strain harboring this recombinant plasmid is grown in 2% medium containing 50 µg/ml ampicillin and the total complement of cellular proteins
10 electrophoresed on an SDS-polyacrylamide gel, a protein of approximately 26 kD can be visualized by either coomassie blue staining or by western blot analysis using as probe selected sera from AIDS, ARC, or HTLV-III infected individuals.

15 Example 5--Purification of recombinant protein containing HTLV-III envelope sequences from plasmid pPb1_{IIIB}

1. Growth of cells:

Cells were grown in a 10 liter volume in a Chemap fermentor in 2% medium. Fermentation temperature was 37°C, the pH was 6.8, and air was provided at 1 vvm. Plasmid selection was provided by 50 µg/ml ampicillin and 20 µg/ml chloramphenicol. Typical cell yield (wet weight) was 30 g/l.

2. Cell Lysis:

50 g, wet cell weight, of E. coli containing the recombinant HTLV-III envelope fusion protein were resuspended in a final volume of 100 ml in 50 mM Tris-Cl pH 8.0, 5 mM EDTA, 5 mM DTT, 15 mM β-mercaptoethanol, 0.5% TRITON[®]X-100, and 5 mM PMSF. 300 mg lysozyme was added and the suspension incubated for 30
30 min at room temperature.

This material was lysed using a BEAD-BEATERTM (Biospec Products, Bartlesville, OK) containing an

equal volume of 0.1-0.15 μ m glass beads. The lysis was done for 6 min at room temperature in 1 min intervals. The liquid was separated from the beads and centrifuged for 2.5 hr at 20,000 xg. The supernatant was removed and the pellet was resuspended in 100 ml 6 M guanidine-hydrochloride, 20 mM Tris-Cl pH 8.0, 5 mM DTT, 15 mM β -mercaptoethanol, 5 mM PMSF, and 1 mM EDTA. The pellet was solubilized using a polytron homogenizer and centrifuged at 20,000 xg for 2 hr.

The supernate (90 ml) was dialysed against 4 liters of 8 M urea, 20 mM potassium phosphate, pH 7.0, 1 mM EDTA, and 15 mM β -mercaptoethanol. Dialysis was done each time for 8 hr or longer with three changes of buffer. Spectraphor dialysis tubing (S/P, McGraw Park, IL) with a 3.5 kD MW cut-off was used.

3. CM chromatography

The dialysate was loaded onto a 550 ml column (5 cm x 28 cm) packed with CM Fast Flow SEPHAROSE[®] (Pharmacia) equilibrated in 8 M urea, 10 mM potassium phosphate pH 7.0, 15 mM β -mercaptoethanol, and 1 mM EDTA at room temperature. The column was washed with 2 liters equilibration buffer, and the protein eluted with a 5.0 liter linear gradient from 0-0.4 M NaCl. The HTLV-III protein (26 kD) eluted at approximately 0.2 M NaCl as assayed by SDS-polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis.

Example 6--Construction of and expression from plasmid p590

Plasmid p590, which contains approximately 1055 base pairs of DNA encoding essentially the HTLV-III

env gene from the PvuII site to the HindIII site, and from which is synthesized an approximately 86 kD fusion protein containing this portion of the gp160 envelope protein can be constructed as follows:

- 5 1. Synthesizing the DNA with the sequence shown in Table 6: This DNA fragment can be synthesized by standard methods and encodes a portion of gp160. It has a blunt end on the 5' end and an end which will ligate with a HindIII overhang on the 3' end.
- 10 2. Restricting 5 µg plasmid pREV2.2 with EcoRV and HindIII and isolating the large fragment, approximately 4 kD, from an agarose gel.
- 15 3. Ligating 0.1 µg of the fragment in Table 6 with 0.1 µg of the pREV2.2 fragment in a volume of 20 ml using T4 DNA ligase, transforming the ligation mixture into competent cell strain SG20251, and selecting ampicillin resistant transformants.
- 2- 4. Using the AhaIII restriction pattern of purified plasmid, selecting cells harboring the recombinant plasmid with the synthesized fragment in the orientation whereby the fragment blunt end ligated to the pREV2.2 EcoRV end and the HindIII overhanging ends ligated together. AhaIII digestion of the proper plasmid gives fragment lengths of approximately 1740, 1020, 750, 690, 500, 340, and 20.
- 25 5. 5 µg of plasmid, purified from this strain, is restricted with NdeI and SmaI. The approximately 1425 base pair fragment is isolated from an agarose gel. The 1505 base pair fragment is fused to the DNA encoding the segment of gp160.
- 30 6. 5 µg of pBG101 is restricted with BamHI, the overhanging ends filled in with Klenow polymerase and dNTPs, and then restricted with NdeI. The approximately 6.5 kD fragment is isolated from an agarose gel.
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7. Ligating 0.1 μ g of the NdeI-SmaI fragment with 0.1 μ g of the pBGI fragment using T4 DNA ligase, transforming the ligation mixture into competent cell strain SG20251, and selecting ampicillin resistant transformants.
8. Using the AhaIII restriction pattern of purified plasmid, selecting cells harboring the recombinant plasmid with the synthesized fragment in the orientation whereby the fragment blunt SmaI end ligated to the BamHI/filled-in end and the NdeI overhanging ends ligated together. AhaIII digestion of the proper plasmid gives fragment lengths of approximately 5900, 1020, 690, 430, and 20 base pairs.
9. When the strain harboring this recombinant plasmid is grown in 2% medium containing 50 μ g/ml ampicillin and the total complement of cellular proteins electrophoresed on an SDS-polyacrylamide gel, a protein of approximately 86 kD can be visualized by either coomassie blue staining or by western blot analysis using as probe selected sera from AIDS, ARC, or HTLV-III infected individuals.

Example 7--Purification of recombinant protein containing HTLV-III envelope sequences from plasmid p590

1. Growth of cells:

Cells were grown in a 10 liter volume in a Chemap fermentor in 2% medium. Fermentation temperature was 37°C, the pH was 6.8, and air was provided at 1 vvm. Plasmid selection was provided by 50 μ g/ml ampicillin. Typical cell yield (wet weight) is 30 g/l.

2. Cell Lysis:

50 g, wet cell weight, of E. coli containing the recombinant HTLV-III envelope fusion protein were

resuspended in a final volume of 100 ml in 50 mM Tris-Cl pH 8.0, 5 mM EDTA, 5 mM DTT, 15 mM β -mercaptoethanol, 0.5% TRITON[®]X-100, and 5 mM PMSF. 300 mg lysozyme was added and the suspension incubated for 30 min at room temperature.

This material was lysed using a Bead-BeaterTM containing 0.1-0.15 mm glass beads. The lysis was done for 6 min at room temperature in 1 min intervals. The liquid was separated from the beads and centrifuged for 2.5 hr at 20,000 xg. The supernatant was removed and the pellet was resuspended in 100 ml 6 M guanidine-hydrochloride, 20 mM Tris-Cl pH 8.0, 5 mM DTT, 15 mM β -mercaptoethanol, 5 mM PMSF, and 1 mM EDTA. The pellet was solubilized using a polytron homogenizer and centrifuged at 20,000 xg for 2 hr.

The supernate (90 ml) was dialysed against 4 liters of 8 M urea, 20 mM Tris-Cl, pH 8.0, 1 mM EDTA, and 15 mM β -mercaptoethanol. Dialysis was done each time for 8 hr or longer with three changes of buffer.

3. Diethylaminoethyl (DEAE) chromatography

Dialysate was loaded onto a 550 ml column (5 cm x 28 cm) packed with DEAE Fast Flow SEPHAROSE[®] (Pharmacia) equilibrated in 8 M urea, 20 mM Tris-Cl pH 8.0, 15 mM β -mercaptoethanol, and 1 mM EDTA at room temperature. The column was washed with 1.5 liters equilibration buffer, and the protein eluted with a 5.0 liter linear gradient from 0-0.8 M NaCl in equilibration buffer. The HTLV-III protein eluted at 0.4 M NaCl and was assayed using SDS-polyacrylamide electrophoresis and following the prominent protein at approximately 86 kD.

The fractions containing the HTLV-III protein were pooled and the protein concentrated to 10 ml using a stressed cell positive pressure concentrator (Amicon) fitted with a 10,000 MW cut-off membrane (YM-10, Amicon). The concentrate was loaded onto a 500 ml column (2.5 cm x 100 cm) packed with superfine SEPHACRYL®S-300 (Pharmacia) equilibrated in 8 M urea, 20 mM Tris-Cl, pH 8.0, 15 mM β-mercaptoethanol, and 1 mM EDTA. The column was eluted with equilibration buffer at room temperature. A flow rate of 0.5 ml/min was maintained. The HTLV-III protein eluted at approximately 40% of the column volume.

Example 8--Construction of and expression from plasmid pKH1

Plasmid pKH1, which contains approximately 1830 base pairs of DNA encoding essentially the HTLV-III env gene from the KpnI site to the HindIII site, and from which is synthesized an approximately 70 kD fusion protein containing this portion of the gp160 envelope protein, can be constructed as follows:

1. Synthesizing the DNA with the sequence shown in Table 7: This DNA fragment can be synthesized by standard methods and encodes a portion of gp160. It has a blunt end on the 5' end and an end which will ligate with a HindIII overhang on the 3' end.
2. Restricting 5 µg plasmid pREV2.2 with MluI, treating the DNA with Klenow polymerase to blunt the ends, treating with HindIII and isolating the large fragment, approximately 5 kD, from an agarose gel.
3. Ligating 0.1 µg of the fragment in Table 7 with 0.1 µg of the pREV 2.2 fragment in a

volume of 20 μ l using T4 DNA ligase, transforming the ligation mixture into competent cell strain CAG629, and selecting ampicillin resistant transformants.

- 5 4. Using the AhaIII restriction pattern of purified plasmid, selecting cells harboring the recombinant plasmid with the synthesized fragment in the orientation whereby the fragment blunt end ligated to the REV2.2 MluI
- 10 end and the HindIII overhanging ends ligated together. AhaIII digestion of the proper plasmid gives fragment lengths of approximately 1730, 1020, 750, 690, 640, 600, 340, and 20
- 15 base pairs. When the strain harboring this recombinant plasmid is grown in 2% medium containing 50 μ g/ml ampicillin and the total complement of cellular proteins electrophoresed on an SDS-polyacrylamide gel, a protein of approximately 70 kD can be visualized by either
- 20 Coomassie blue staining or by Western Blot analysis using as probe selected sera from AIDS, ARC, or HTLV-III infected individuals.

Example 9--Purification of recombinant protein containing HTLV-III envelope sequences from plasmid pKH1

1. Growth of cells:

Cells were grown in a 10 liter volume in a Chemap fermenter in 2% medium. Fermentation temperature was 32°C, the pH was 6.8, and air was provided at 1 vvm. Plasmid selection was provided by 50 μ g/ml ampicillin. Typical cell yield (wet weight) is 30 g/l.

2. Cell lysis:

50 g, wet cell weight, of *E. coli* containing the recombinant HTLV-III envelope fusion protein were resuspended in a final volume of 100 ml in 50 mM Tris-Cl pH 8.0, 5 mM EDTA, 5 mM dithiothreitol (DTT), 15 mM β -mercaptoethanol, 0.5% TRITON[®] X-100 and 5 mM PMSF. 300 mg lysozyme was added and the suspension incubated for 30 min at room temperature.

This material was lysed using a BEAD-BEATERTM (Biospec Products) containing an equal volume of 0.1-0.15 μ m glass beads. The lysis was done for 6 min at room temperature in 1 min intervals. The liquid was separated from the beads and centrifuged for 2.5 hr at 20,000 xg. The supernatant was removed and the pellet dissolved in 100 ml 8 M urea, 20 mM Tris-Cl pH 8.0, 5 mM DTT, 15 mM β -mercaptoethanol, 5 mM PMSF, and 1 mM EDTA. The pellet was solubilized using a polytron homogenizer (Beckman, Berkeley, CA) and centrifuged at 20,000 xg for 2 hr.

3. DEAE chromatography:

Supernatant was loaded onto a 550 ml column (5 cm x 28 cm) packed with DEAE Fast Flow SEPHAROSE[®] (Pharmacia) equilibrated in 8 M urea, 20 mM Tris-Cl pH 8.0, 15 mM β -mercaptoethanol, and 1 mM EDTA at room temperature. The column was washed with 1.5 liters equilibration buffer, and the protein eluted with a 5.0 liter linear gradient from 0-0.8 M NaCl in equilibration buffer. The HTLV-III protein eluted at 0.2 M NaCl and was assayed using SDS-polyacrylamide electrophoresis and following the protein at approximately 70 kD.

The fractions containing the HTLV-III protein were pooled and the protein concentrated to 10 ml using a stressed cell positive pressure concentrator

(Amicon) fitted with a 10,000 MW cut-off membrane (YM-10, Amicon). The concentrate was loaded onto a 500 ml column (2.5 cm x 100 cm) packed with superfine SEPHACRYL[®] S-300 (Pharmacia) equilibrated in 8 M urea, 20 mM Tris-Cl, pH 8.0, 15 mM β -mercaptoethanol, and 1 mM EDTA. The column was eluted with equilibration buffer at room temperature. A flow rate of 0.5 ml/min was maintained. The HTLV-III protein eluted at approximately 40% of the column volume.

4. SDS-polyacrylamide electrophoresis:

The fractions containing KHI were pooled and the protein concentrated using a stressed cell positive pressure concentrator fitted with a 10,000 MW cutoff membrane. 2 mg of protein was mixed with loading buffers and electrophoresed through a preparative SDS-polyacrylamide gel (40 cm x 20 cm x 4 mm) as described by M.W. Hunkapiller, E. Lujan, F. Ostrander, and L.E. Hood, Methods in Enzymology 91:227-236 (1983). The 70 kD HTLV-III protein was visualized with 0.25 M KCl and eluted from the gel as described. The protein can be removed from the SDS by precipitation with acetone (Dyanan, W.J., Jendrisak, J.J., Hager, D.A. and Burgess, R.R. [1981] J. Biol. Chem. 256:5860-5865).

Example 10--Construction of a non-fusion derivative of PBI

A non-fusion derivative of the PBI protein containing no non-HTLV-III amino acids other than an N-terminal methionine was constructed using oligonucleotide-directed site-specific mutagenesis (Inouye, S. and Inouye, M.,

"Synthesis & Applications of DNA & RNA", ed. Narang, Saran A. Academic Press, 1987). In this procedure, 90 non-HTLV-III bp upstream and 39 downstream of the env gene sequence in pPB1 were deleted via DNA loopouts generated by hybridization with synthetic oligonucleotides.

The oligonucleotide synthesized for the N-terminal loopout was designed so that the start codon of the β -glucuronidase gene is placed immediately adjacent to the 5' end of the HTLV-III env gene sequence (Figure 4). The oligonucleotide includes sequences homologous to both sides of this newly-created junction that allow proper hybridization to the plasmid DNA.

The two DNA molecules used to form a heteroduplex with a single-stranded gap that is the substrate for hybridization were created by digesting pPB1 with SalI and HpaI, or with PstI alone. Digestion with PstI linearized pPB1, and a double digest with SalI and HpaI yields fragments of 3800 and 700 bp, the larger of which was gel-isolated for use in the mutagenesis.

Kinasing of the oligonucleotide, hybridization, polymerization and ligation to yield closed circular molecules were done according to the methods of Inouye and Inouye mentioned above. To enrich for DNA molecules containing the deletion, the DNA mixture was digested with MluI, which cuts within the region being deleted.

The digested DNA was used to transform competent E. coli JM105 cells and plasmid-containing transformants were isolated by overnight growth on YT (8 g tryptone, 5 g yeast extract, and 5 g NaCl per liter) Cm plates at 37°C.

Plasmid DNA was isolated from each transformant and screened for the correct construction by simultaneous digestion with MluI and HindIII. Molecules that were not deleted yielded fragments of approximately 3900 and 600 bp. Those containing the deletion did not have the MluI site and yielded linear molecules of approximately 4400 bp. Plasmid DNA from transformants that appeared to contain the deletion was retransformed to ensure segregation of deleted and non-deleted plasmids and the recovery of pure plasmid populations. DNA from these second transformants was analyzed as in the previous digest and was determined to have the correct construction. This plasmid was designated pAPB1.

To eliminate the C-terminal non-HTLV-III amino acids, oligonucleotide-directed site-specific mutagenesis was carried out as above, using the pAPB1 plasmid as a substrate. The oligonucleotide (Figure 5) was designed to position the TGA codon that occurs out-of-frame downstream from the env gene sequence so that it is immediately adjacent to the 3' end of the env gene sequence and in-frame to act as a translational stop codon.

The molecules to form the heteroduplex used for hybridization were created by digesting pAPB1 with PstI alone or with KpnI and HpaI. The large KpnI/HpaI fragment encompassing most of the vector was gel-isolated for use in the mutagenesis. Kinasing, hybridization, polymerization and ligation were performed as above. Enrichment for deleted molecules was accomplished by digesting with HindIII, which cuts within the region being deleted. The DNA was used to transform cells as above.

Plasmid DNA was isolated from each transformant and screened for the correct construction by simultaneous digestion with EcoRI and HpaI. The deleted plasmid yields two restriction fragments of 2900 and 1750 bp. Plasmid DNA showing this pattern was retransformed as above, and DNA from these transformants was analyzed with the same digest. This plasmid, containing N-terminal and C-terminal deletions, is designated pd2PB1.

When the strain harboring plasmid pΔPB1 is grown in 2% medium (2% yeast extract, bactotryptone, casamino acids [Difco, Detroit, MI], 0.2% potassium monobasic, 0.2% potassium dibasic, and 0.2% sodium dibasic) containing 50 µg/ml ampicillin and the total complement of cellular proteins electrophoresed on an SDS-polyacrylamide gel, a protein of approximately 22 kD can be visualized by either coomassie blue staining or by western blot analysis using as probe selected sera from animals immunized with recombinant env gene proteins. Under the same conditions, a protein of approximately 20 kD is produced in a strain containing pd2PB1.

The technique of oligonucleotide-directed site-specific mutagenesis can be used in a similar way to eliminate the non-HTLV-III amino acids flanking the env gene fusion proteins R10, 590, and KH1.

In the procedure detailed above, the removal of the non-HTLV-III sequences from the fusion proteins involves removal of amino acids at both the N-terminus and the C-terminus of the protein and is accomplished in two sequential steps.

It is well known in the art that a methionine at the N-terminal position can be enzymatically cleaved by the use of the enzyme methionine aminopeptidase (MAP).

MAP has been cloned from E. coli (Ben-Bassat, A., Bauer, K., Chang, S.-Y., Myambo, K., Boosman, A. and Chang, S. [1987] *Journal of Bacteriology* 169(2):751-757) and Salmonella typhimurium, and in vitro activity has been demonstrated on recombinant proteins (Miller, C.G., Strauch, K.L., Kukral, A.M., Miller, J.L., Wingfield, P.T., Massei, G.J., Werlen, R.C., Graber, P. and Movva, N.R. [1987] *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 84:2718-2722). Therefore, removal of an N-terminal methionine may be achieved either in vivo by expressing the protein in a host which produces MAP (e.g., E. coli CM89 or S. cerevisiae), or in vitro by use of purified MAP (e.g., procedure of Miller et al.).

pd2PBI Purification

Unless specified otherwise, all steps are carried out at room temperature.

Lysis--Three 700 ml bottles of frozen cell paste containing pd2PBI are thawed at 37°C, and are then spun at 4,000 rpm in a J-6B centrifuge with a JS-4.2 rotor (Beckman, Palo Alto, CA) at 4°C for 30 min. The supernatant is then discarded and the weight of the cell pellet is determined. The cell pellet (typically 1 kg) is resuspended in 2 volumes of lysis buffer (v/w) which consists of 8 M urea, 20 mM Tris-HCl (pH 7.5 ± 0.1), 1 mM EDTA, 14.7 mM 2-mercaptoethanol and 1 mM PMSF.

The resuspended cell pellet is run through a Type TDK Pilot DYNO-MILL® (Impandex Inc., Maywood, NJ) containing 0.5-0.7 mm glass beads at 200-400 ml/min. Prior to use the DYNO-MILL® is charged with one liter of lysis buffer and cooled so that the solution flowing through is at less than ambient temperature. The resuspended cell pellet is passed through the DYNO-MILL® twice,

and after the second pass, the DYNO-MILL[®] is washed with 1 liter of lysis buffer. Lysed cell suspension and wash are pooled.

Concentration and filtration--The lysed cell suspension plus one liter wash is concentrated to 800 ml using a 0.45 micron DURAPORE[™] Pellicon cassette in a Pellicon 4 GPM system (Millipore, Bedford, MA). The concentration is done with an inlet pressure of less than or equal to 40 psi and an outlet pressure between 10 and 20 psi. After concentration the lysed cell suspension is filtered with 4 liters of lysis buffer using the same Pellicon system, cassette and pressure settings with the tubing rigged for dyafiltration.

Extraction--The washed lysis cell suspension is extracted with 10 l of extraction buffer consisting of 6 M guanidine HCl, 100 mM Tris-HCl (pH 7.6 \pm 0.1), and 10 mM EDTA, using the same Pellicon system, cassette and pressure settings as described above with the tubing rigged for dyafiltration.

Buffer exchange--The filtrate from the previous step is typically concentrated to 1 liter using a Pellicon 4GPM system with two PTGC cassettes (10,000 NMWL). The concentration is done with an inlet pressure of less than or equal to 50 psi and an outlet pressure between 30 and 45 psi. After concentration, the supernatant is buffer exchanged with CM column buffer consisting of 8 M urea, 25 mM potassium phosphate, and 1 mM EDTA (pH 6.8 \pm 0.1), with conductivity less than or equal to 3.0 ms/cm. For buffer exchange, the same Pellicon system, the same cassettes and the same pressure settings as above are used with the tubing rigged for dyafiltration. Eight liters of CM column buffer are used to buffer exchange 1 liter of concentrated extract. After buffer exchange,

the buffer-exchanged extract is drained from the system and the system is washed with 1 liter of CM column buffer. The buffer-exchanged extract and the wash are pooled and the solution's conductivity and pH are measured. The conductivity of the solution is adjusted to less than or equal to 3.0ms/cm with deionized 8 M urea and the pH is adjusted to be within the range of 6.5-7.0.

CM chromatography--A 50 x 51 cm column of CM SEPHAROSE® FAST FLOW (Pharmacia, Piscataway, NJ) is equilibrated by washing the column sequentially with 4 column volumes of 0.5 M NaOH, 2 column volumes of deionized water and 2-3 column volumes of CM column buffer. The column is considered equilibrated when the pH of the outflow is within 0.2 units of the CM column buffer and the conductivity of the outflow is within 0.3 ms/cm of the CM column buffer.

For loading, the buffer exchanged extract is pumped on to the column at an inlet pressure between 10 and 15 psi. After loading, the CM column is washed with CM column buffer until the OD at 280 nm of the outflow is less than 0.1. The pd2PBI is then eluted with an 8-liter linear gradient of 0-0.5 M NaCl in CM column buffer and collected in 100 ml fractions. The fractions are assayed by SDS-PAGE and Western with anti-gp160 antibody, and those containing significant pd2PBI and trace contaminants are pooled.

Organic extraction--The pooled protein solution from the previous step is brought to a ratio of 55% acetonitrile to 45% protein solution (v/v) by the slow addition of pure acetonitrile with mixing. After addition of all of the acetonitrile, the solution is centrifuged in a J2-21 centrifuge using a JA10 rotor (Beckman) at 10,000 rpm and 4°C for 15 min. After centrifugation, the supernatant is collected and the pellet is discarded.

The centrifugation supernatant is brought to a ratio of 35% ethanol to 65% supernatant (v/v) by slow addition of 95% ethanol with mixing. After addition of all of the ethanol, the solution is centrifuged in a J2-21 centrifuge using a JA-10 rotor at 10,000 rpm and 4°C for 15 min. After centrifugation the pellet is collected and the supernatant is discarded.

The pellet is allowed to air dry for 15 min, and is then redissolved in S-300 column buffer, which consists of 8 M urea, 0.3 M glycine, 5 mM EDTA, 15 mM 2-mercapto-ethanol, 1 mM dithiothreitol (DTT) (pH 8.50 \pm 0.01). The pellet is dissolved in a volume of S-300 column buffer equal to one-tenth the volume of the pooled protein solution at the beginning of this step.

Concentration--The absorbance of the redissolved protein solution from above is determined at 280 nm and an approximate protein concentration is determined by assuming that a 1 mg/ml solution of protein has an absorbance of 1.0 at 280 nm. The solution is concentrated to 10 mg/ml using a 200 ml Amicon stirred cell concentrator with a YM-10 membrane.

S-300 chromatography--Thirty to seventy ml of the concentrated protein solution is loaded on a 5.0 x 135 cm column of SEPHACRYL® S-300 from Pharmacia. The column had been previously equilibrated with S-300 column buffer which consists of 8 M urea, 0.3 M glycine, 5 mM EDTA, 15 mM 2-mercaptoethanol, 1 mM DTT (pH 8.50 ± 0.01). After loading, the column is run isocratically in the same buffer. Twenty ml fractions are collected and the fractions are assayed for pd2PB1 content by SDS-PAGE.

Equal volume aliquots are taken from suitable fractions containing pd2PB1 and are used to determine which fractions are satisfactory for pooling. The aliquots are pooled, dialyzed overnight versus 8 M urea, 25 mM sodium phosphate, 1 mM EDTA (pH 6.8 ± 0.1), and the OD at 280 nm of the dialyzed pool is determined using the dialysis buffer as blank. The protein concentration of the solution is determined using the calculated extinction coefficient of pd2PB1 of 1.0 (mg/ml)^{-1} . SDS-PAGE is run on 10 µg of the dialyzed pooling using a 15% SDS acrylamide gel. After coomassie staining and destaining, the gel is scanned using an LKB (Gaithersburg, MD) scanning densitometer attached to a Waters (Milford, MA) 740 Integrator. If the pd2PB1 band on the gel is more than 97% pure, then the fractions that were used for the aliquot are checked for endotoxins at a 1 to 20 dilution in the Limulus Amebocyte Lysate (LAL) assay using 0.06 eu/ml tubes. If the LAL test on the diluted fractions is negative, the fractions are pooled and used for subsequent operations. If the gel fails to meet the purity specification, the process is repeated using equal volume aliquots from a different set of fractions. Only those fractions having a negative LAL test at a 1 to 20 dilution are pooled.

Table 1

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TTCGAAGACGTCAGCTGCGTACGCCTAGGCCATGGGCCCTCGAGCTTAA

Table 2

5' CGGTACCAGCCCGCCTAATGAGCGGGCTTTTTTTTGACGT 3'
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Table 3

MluI EcoRV ClaI BamHI Sali HindIII SmaI

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Table 4

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Table 5

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Table 6

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Table 7

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Table 8
Amino acid sequence of fusion protein R10

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ThrThrThrLeuPheCysAlaSerAspAlaLysAlaTyrAspThrGluValHis
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GlnMetHisGluAspIleIleSerLeuTrpAspGlnSerLeuLysProCysVal
LysLeuThrProLeuCysValSerLeuLysCysThrAspLeuLysAsnAspThr
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CysSerPheAsnIleSerThrSerIleArgGlyLysValGlnLysGluTyrAla
PhePheTyrLysLeuAspIleIleProIleAspAsnAspThrThrSerTyrThr
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Table 8 (cont.)

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Table 8A

Nucleotide sequence encoding fusion protein R10

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Table 8A (cont.)

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Table 8A (cont.)

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Table 9
Amino acid sequence of fusion protein PBI

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ProValGluThrProThrArgGluIleLysLysLeuAspGlyLeuTrpAlaPhe
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GlyAsnSerAsnAsnGluSerGluIleArgArgGlnAlaSerArgGluLeuGlu
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Table 9A

Nucleotide sequence encoding fusion protein PBI

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GAGCTCGAATTCTTGAAGACGAAAGGGCCTCGTGATACTCCTATTTTATAGGT
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Table 10

Amino acid sequence of fusion protein 590

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Table 10 (cont.)

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Table 10A
Nucleotide sequence encoding fusion protein 590

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Table 10A (cont.)

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ACCGTGGTGACGCATGTGCGCAAGACTGTAACCACGCGTCTGTTGACTGGCAG
TGGCACCCTGCGTACAGCGCGTTCTGACATTGGTGCGCAGACAACCTGACCGTC

GTGGTGGCCAATGGTGATGTGACCGTTGAACTGCGTGATGCGGATCAACAGGTG
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GGCGAACAGTTCCTGATTAACCACAAACCGTTCTACTTTACTGGCTTTGGTTCGT
CCGCTTGTCAAGGACTAATTGGTGTCTTGGCAAGATGAAATGACCGAAACCAGCA

CATGAAGATGCGGACTTGCGTGGCAAAGGATTGATAACGTGCTGATGGTGCAC
GCACTTCTACGCCTGAACGCACCGTTTCCTAAGCTATTGCACGACTACCACGTG

GACCACGCATTAATGGACTGGATTGGGGCCAACTCCTACCGTACCTCGCATTAC
CTGGTGCCTAATTACCTGACCTAACCCCGGTTGAGGATGGCATGGAGCGTAATG

Table 10A (cont.)

CCTTACGCTGAAGAGATGCTCGACTGGGCAGATGAACATGGCATCGTGGTGATT
 GGAATGCGACTTCTCTACGAGCTGACCCGTCTACTTGTACCGTAGCACCCTAA
 GATGAAACTGCTGCTGTCGGCTTTAACCTCTCTTTAGGCATTGGTTTCGAAGCG
 CTACTTTGACGACGACAGCCGAAATTGGAGAGAAATCCGTAACCAAAGCTTCGG
 GGCAACAAGCCGAAAGAACTGTACAGCGAAGAGGCAGTCAACGGGGAAACTCAG
 CCGTTGTTCCGGCTTTCTTGACATGTCGCTTCTCCGTGAGTTGCCCTTTGAGTC
 CAAGCGCACTTACAGGCGATTAAAGAGCTGATAGCGCGTGACAAAAACCACCCA
 GTTCGCGTGAATGTCCGCTAATTTCTCGACTATCGCGCACTGTTTTTGGTGGGT
 AGCGTGGTGATGTGGAGTATTGCCAACGAACCGGATACCCGTCCGCAAGGTGCA
 TCGCACCCTACACCTCATAACGGTTGCTTGGCCTATGGGCAGGCGTTCCACGT
 CGGGAATATTTGCGGCCACTGGCGGAAGCAACGCGTAAACTCGACCCGACGCGT
 GCCCTTATAAGCGCGGTGACCGCCTTCGTTGCGCATTGAGCTGGGCTGCGCA
 CCGATCACCTGCGTCAATGTAATGTTCTGCGACGCTCACACCGATACCATCAGC
 GGCTAGTGGACGCAGTTACATTACAAGACGCTGCGACTGTGGCTATGGTAGTCG
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 GGGCTGCACTCAATGTACACCGACATGTGGAGTGAAGAGTATCAGTCTGCATGG
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 CTGGATATGTATCACCGCGTCTTTGATCGCGTCAGCGCCGTCGTCCGTGAACAG
 GACCTATACATAGTGGCGCAGAACTAGCGCAGTCCGGCAGCAGCCACTTGTC
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 AACAAAGAAAGGGATCTTCACTCGCGACCGCAAACCGAAGTCGGCGGGCTTTCTG
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 CTGCAAAAACGCTGGACTGGCATGAACCTCGGTGAAAAACCGCAGCAGGGAGGC
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 AAACAA
 TTTGTT

Table 11
Amino acid sequence of fusion protein KHI

MetLeuArg

ProValGluThrProThrArgGluIleLysLysLeuAspGlyLeuTrpAlaPhe
SerLeuAspArgGluArgGluPheProValTrpLysGluAlaThrThrThrLeu
PheCysAlaSerAspAlaLysAlaTyrAspThrGluValHisAsnValTrpAla
ThrHisAlaCysValProThrAspProAsnProGlnGluValValLeuValAsn
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AspIleIleSerLeuTrpAspGlnSerLeuLysProCysValLysLeuThrPro
LeuCysValSerLeuLysCysThrAspLeuLysAsnAspThrAsnThrAsnSer
SerSerGlyArgMetIleMetGluLysGlyGluIleLysAsnCysSerPheAsn
IleSerThrSerIleArgGlyLysValGlnLysGluTyrAlaPhePheTyrLys
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AsnThrSerValIleThrGlnAlaCysProLysValSerPheGluProIlePro
IleHisTyrCysAlaProAlaGlyPheAlaIleLeuLysCysAsnAsnLysThr
PheAsnGlyThrGlyProCysThrAsnValSerThrValGlnCysThrHisGly
IleArgProValValSerThrGlnLeuLeuLeuAsnGlySerLeuAlaGluGlu
GluValValIleArgSerAlaAsnPheThrAspAsnAlaLysThrIleIleVal
GlnLeuAsnGlnSerValGluIleAsnCysThrArgProAsnAsnAsnThrArg
LysSerIleArgIleGlnArgGlyProGlyArgAlaPheValThrIleGlyLys
IleGlyAsnMetArgGlnAlaHisCysAsnIleSerArgAlaLysTrpAsnAsn
ThrLeuLysGlnIleAspSerLysLeuArgGluGlnPheGlyAsnAsnLysThr
IleIlePheLysGlnSerSerGlyGlyAspProGluIleValThrHisSerPhe
AsnCysGlyGlyGluPhePheTyrCysAsnSerThrGlnLeuPheAsnSerThr
TrpPheAsnSerThrTrpSerThrLysGlySerAsnAsnThrGluGlySerAsp
ThrIleThrLeuProCysArgIleLysGlnIleIleAsnMetTrpGlnGluVal

Table 11 (cont.)

GlyLysAlaMetTyrAlaProProIleSerGlyGlnIleArgCysSerSerAsn
 IleThrGlyLeuLeuLeuThrArgAspGlyGlyAsnSerAsnAsnGluSerGlu
 IlePheArgProGlyGlyGlyAspMetArgAspAsnTrpArgSerGluLeuTyr
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 ArgArgValValGlnArgGluLysArgAlaValGlyIleGlyAlaLeuPheLeu
 GlyPheLeuGlyAlaAlaGlySerThrMetGlyAlaAlaSerMetThrLeuThr
 ValGlnAlaArgGlnLeuLeuSerGlyIleValGlnGlnGlnAsnAsnLeuLeu
 ArgAlaIleGluAlaGlnGlnHisLeuLeuGlnLeuThrValTrpGlyIleLys
 GlnLeuGlnAlaArgIleLeuAlaValGluArgTyrLeuLysAspGlnGlnLeu
 LeuGlyIleTrpGlyCysSerGlyLysLeuIleCysThrThrAlaValProTrp
 AsnAlaSerTrpSerAsnLysSerLeuGluGlnIleTrpAsnAsnMetThrTrp
 MetGluTrpAspArgGluIleAsnAsnTyrThrSerPheProGlyAlaArgIle
 LeuGluAspGluArgAlaSer

Table 11A

Nucleotide sequence encoding fusion protein Khl

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TACAATGCA

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GATATAATCAGTTTATGGGATCAAAGCCTAAAGCCATGTGTAAAATTAACCCCA
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GAGACACAATCAAATTTACGTGACTAACTTCTTACTATGATTATGGTTATCA
AGTAGCGGGAGAATGATAATGGAGAAAGGAGAGATAAAAACTGCTCTTTCAAT
TCATCGCCCTCTTACTATTACCTCTTCCTCTCTATTTTTTTGACGAGAAAGTTA
ATCAGCACAAGCATAAGAGGTAAGGTGCAGAAAGAATATGCATTTTTTTTATAAA
TAGTCGTGTTTCGTATTCTCCATTCCACGTCTTTCTTATACGTAAAAAATATTT
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GAACTATATTATGGTTATCTATTACTATGATGGTCGATATGCAACTGTTCAACA
AACACCTCAGTCATTACACAGGCCTGTCCAAAGGTATCCTTTGAGCCAATTCCC
TTGTGGAGTCAGTAATGTGTCCGGACAGGTTTCCATAGGAAACTCGGTTAAGGG
ATACATTATTGTGCCCCGGCTGGTTTTGCGATTCTAAAATGTAATAATAAGACG
TATGTAATAACACGGGGCCGACCAAAACGCTAAGATTTTACATTATTATTCTGC
TTCAATGGAACAGGACCATGTACAAATGTCAGCACAGTACAATGTACACATGGA
AAGTTACCTTGTCTGGTACATGTTTACAGTCGTGTCATGTTACATGTGTACCT
ATTAGGCCAGTAGTATCAACTCAACTGCTGTTAAATGGCAGTCTAGCAGAAGAA
TAATCCGGTCATCATAGTTTCAGTTGACGACAATTTACCGTCAGATCGTCTTCTT
GAGGTAGTAATTAGATCTGCCAATTTACAGACAATGCTAAAACCATAATAGTA
CTCCATCATTAACTAGACGGTTAAAGTGTCTGTTACGATTTTGGTATTATCAT

Table 11A (cont.)

CAGCTGAACCAATCTGTAGAAATTAATTGTACAAGACCCAACAACAATACAAGA
GTCGACTTGGTAGACATCTTTAATTAACATGTTCTGGGTTGTTGTTATGTTCT

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TTTTCATAGGCATAGGTCTCTCCTGGTCCCTCTCGTAAACAATGTTATCCTTTT

ATAGGAAATATGAGACAAGCACATTGTAACATTAGTAGAGCAAAATGGAATAAC
TATCCTTTATACTCTGTTCTGTGTAACATTGTAATCATCTCGTTTACCTTATTG

ACTTTAAAACAGATAGATAGCAAATTAAGAGAACAATTTGGAAATAATAAAACA
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AGGGCTATTGAGGCGCAACAGCATCTGTTGCAACTCACAGTCTGGGGCATCAAG
TCCCGATAACTCCGCGTTGTCCTAGACAACGTTGAGTGTGAGACCCCGTAGTTTC

CAGCTCCAGGCAAGAATCCTGGCTGTGGAAAGATACCTAAAGGATCAACAGCTC
GTCGAGGTCCGTTCTTAGGACCGACACCTTTCTATGGATTTCCTAGTTGTGCGAG

Table 11A (cont.)

CTGGGGATTGTGGGGTTGCTCTGGAAACTCATTTGCACCACTGCTGTGCCTTGG
GACCCCTAAACCCCAACGAGACCTTTTGAGTAAACGTGGTGACGACACGGAACC

AATGCTAGTTGGAGTAATAAATCTCTGGAACAGATTTGGAATAACATGACCTGG
TTACGATCAACCTCATTATTTAGAGACCTTGTCTAAACCTTATTGTACTGGACC

ATGGAGTGGGACAGAGAAATTAACAATTACACAAGCTTCCCGGGAGCTCGAATT
TACCTCACCTGTCTCTTTAATTGTTAATGTGTTCTGAAGGGCCCTCGAGCTTAA

CTTGAAGACGAAAGGGCCTCG
GAACTTCTGCTTCCCGGAGC

Table 12

Amino acid sequence of HIV portion of protein R10

MetValTrpLysGluAlaThrThrThrLeuPheCysAlaSerAspAlaLysAlaTyr
 AspThrGluValHisAsnValTrpAlaThrHisAlaCysValProThrAspPro
 AsnProGlnGluValValLeuValAsnValThrGluAsnPheAsnMetTrpLys
 AsnAspMetValGluGlnMetHisGluAspIleIleSerLeuTrpAspGlnSer
 LeuLysProCysValLysLeuThrProLeuCysValSerLeuLysCysThrAsp
 LeuLysAsnAspThrAsnThrAsnSerSerSerGlyArgMetIleMetGluLys
 GlyGluIleLysAsnCysSerPheAsnIleSerThrSerIleArgGlyLysVal
 GlnLysGluTyrAlaPhePheTyrLysLeuAspIleIleProIleAspAsnAsp
 ThrThrSerTyrThrLeuThrSerCysAsnThrSerValIleThrGlnAlaCys
 ProLysValSerPheGluProIleProIleHisTyrCysAlaProAlaGlyPhe
 AlaIleLeuLysCysAsnAsnLysThrPheAsnGlyThrGlyProCysThrAsn
 ValSerThrValGlnCysThrHisGlyIleArgProValValSerThrGlnLeu
 LeuLeuAsnGlySerLeuAlaGluGluGluValValIleArgSerAlaAsnPhe
 ThrAspAsnAlaLysThrIleIleValGlnLeuAsnGlnSerValGluIleAsn
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 AsnIleSerArgAlaLysTrpAsnAsnThrLeuLysGlnIleAspSerLysLeu
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 AsnSerThrGlnLeuPheAsnSerThrTrpPheAsnSerThrTrpSerThrLys
 GlySerAsnAsnThrGluGlySerAspThrIleThrLeuProCysArgIleLys
 GlnIleIleAsnMetTrpGlnGluValGlyLysAlaMetTyrAlaProProIle
 SerGlyGlnIleArgCysSerSerAsnIleThrGlyLeuLeuLeuThrArgAsp
 GlyGlyAsnSerAsnAsnGluSer

Table 12A
Nucleotide sequence encoding
HIV portion of protein R10

ATGGTGTGGAAGGAAGCAACCACCACTCTATTTTGTGCATCAGATGCTAAAGCATAT
GATACAGAGGTACATAATGTTTGGGCCACACATGCCTGTGTACCCACAGACCCC
AACCACACAAGAAGTAGTATTGGTAAATGTGACAGAAAATTTAACATGTGGAAA
ANTGACATGGTAGAACAGATGCATGAGGATATAATCAGTTTATGGGATCAAAGC
CTAAAGCCATGTGTAAAATTAACCCCACTCTGTGTAGTTTAAAGTGCCTGAT
TTGAAGAATGATACTAATACCAATAGTAGTAGCGGGAGAATGATAATGGAGAAA
GGAGAGATAAAAACTGCTCTTTCAATATCAGCACAGCATAAGAGGTAAGGTG
CAGAAAGAATATGCATTTTTTTATAAACTTGATATAATACCAATAGATAATGAT
ACTACCAGCTATACGTTGACAAGTTGTAAACACCTCAGTCATTACACAGGCCTGT
CCAAAGGTATCCTTTGAGCCAATTCCCATACATTATTGTGCCCCGGCTGGTTTT
GCGATTCTAAATGTAATAATAAGACGTTCAATGGAACAGGACCATGTACAAAT
GTCAGCACAGTACAATGTACACATGGAATTAGGCCAGTAGTATCAACTCAACTG
CTGTTAAATGGCAGTCTGGCAGAAGAAGAGGTAGTAATTAGATCTGCCAATTTG
ACAGACAATGCTAAACCATAATAGTACAGCTGAACCAATCTGTAGAAATTAAT
TGTACAAGACCCCAACAACAATACAAGAAAAGTATCCGTATCCAGAGAGGACCA
GGGAGAGCATTGTGTTACAATAGGAAAAATAGGAAATATGAGACAAGCACATTGT
AACATTAGTAGAGCAAATGGAATHACACTTTAAACAGATAGATAGCAAATTA
AGAGAACAATTTGGAATAATAAAACAATAATCTTTAAGCAGTCCTCAGGAGGG
GACCCAGAAATTGTAACGCACAGTTTTAATTGTGGAGGGGAATTTTTCTACTGT
AATTCAACACAACCTGTTTAATAGTACTTGGTTTAATAGTACTTGGAGTACTAAA
GGGTCAATAACACTGAAGGAAGTGACACAATCACCTCCCATGCAGAATAAAA
CAAATTATAACATGTGGCAGGAAGTAGGAAAAGCAATGTATGCCCTCCCATC
AGTGGACAAATTAGATGTTTATCAATATTACAGGGCTGCTATTAACAAGAGAT
GGTGGTAATAGCAACAATGAGTCC

Table 13

Amino acid sequence of HIV portion of protein PB1

Met LeuAsnGlnSerValGluIleAsnCysThrArgProAsnAsnAsnThrArgLys
SerIleArgIleGlnArgGlyProGlyArgAlaPheValThrIleGlyLysIle
GlyAsnMetArgGlnAlaHisCysAsnIleSerArgAlaLysTrpAsnAsnThr
LeuLysGlnIleAspSerLysLeuArgGluGlnPheGlyAsnAsnLysThrIle
IlePheLysGlnSerSerGlyGlyAspProGluIleValThrHisSerPheAsn
CysGlyGlyGluPhePheTyrCysAsnSerThrGlnLeuPheAsnSerThrTrp
PheAsnSerThrTrpSerThrLysGlySerAsnAsnThrGluGlySerAspThr
IleThrLeuProCysArgIleLysGlnIleIleAsnMetTrpGlnGluValGly
LysAlaMetTyrAlaProProIleSerGlyGlnIleArgCysSerSerAsnIle
ThrGlyLeuLeuLeuThrArgAspGlyGlyAsnSerAsnAsnGluSer

Table 13A
Nucleotide sequence encoding
HIV portion of protein, PBl

ATGCTGAACCAATCTGTAGAAATTAATTGTACAAGACCCAACAACAATACAAGAAAA
AGTATCCGTATCCAGAGAGGACCAGGGAGAGCATTTGTTACAATAGGAAAAATA
GGAAATATGAGACAAGCACATTGTAACATTAGTAGAGCAAAATGGAATAACACT
TTAAAACAGATAGATAGCAAATTAAGAGAACAATTTGGAAATAATAAAACAATA
ATCTTTAAGCAGTCCTCAGGAGGGGACCCAGAAATTGTAACGCACAGTTTTAAT
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TTTAATAGTACTTGGAGTACTAAAGGGTCAAATAACACTGAAGGAAGTGACACA
ATCACCCCTCCCATGCAGAAATAAAACAAATTATAAACATGTGGCAGGAAGTAGGA
AAAGCAATGTATGCCCCCTCCCATCAGTGGACAAATTAGATGTTTCATCAAATATT
ACAGGGCTGCTATTAACAAGAGATGGTGGTAATAGCAACAATGAGTCC

Table 14
Amino acid sequence of
HIV protion of protein 590

MetLeuAsnGlnSerValGluIleAsnCysThrArgProAsnAsnAsnThrArgLys
SerIleArgIleGlnArgGlyProGlyArgAlaPheValThrIleGlyLysIle
GlyAsnMetArgGlnAlaHisCysAsnIleSerArgAlaLysTrpAsnAsnThr
LeuLysGlnIleAspSerLysLeuArgGluGlnPheGlyAsnAsnLysThrIle
IlePheLysGlnSerSerGlyGlyAspProGluIleValThrHisSerPheAsn
CysGlyGlyGluPhePheTyrCysAsnSerThrGlnLeuPheAsnSerThrTrp
PheAsnSerThrTrpSerThrLysGlySerAsnAsnThrGluGlySerAspThr
IleThrLeuProCysArgIleLysGlnIleIleAsnMetTrpGlnGluValGly
LysAlaMetTyrAlaProProIleSerGlyGlnIleArgCysSerSerAsnIle
ThrGlyLeuLeuLeuThrArgAspGlyGlyAsnSerAsnAsnGluSerGluIle
PheArgProGlyGlyGlyAspMetArgAspAsnTrpArgSerGluLeuTyrLys
TyrLysValValLysIleGluProLeuGlyValAlaProThrLysAlaLysArg
ArgValValGlnArgGluLysArgAlaValGlyIleGlyAlaLeuPheLeuGly
PheLeuGlyAlaAlaGlySerThrMetGlyAlaAlaSerMetThrLeuThrVal
GlnAlaArgGlnLeuLeuSerGlyIleValGlnGlnGlnAsnAsnLeuLeuArg
AlaIleGluAlaGlnGlnHisLeuLeuGlnLeuThrValTrpGlyIleLysGln
LeuGlnAlaArgIleLeuAlaValGluArgTyrLeuLysAspGlnGlnLeuLeu
GlyIleTrpGlyCysSerGlyLysLeuIleCysThrThrAlaValProTrpAsn
AlaSerTrpSerAsnLysSerLeuGluGlnIleTrpAsnAsnMetThrTrpMet
GluTrpAspArgGluIleAsnAsnTyrThr

Table 14A
Nucleotide sequence encoding
HIV portion of protein 590

ATGCTGAACCAATCTGTAGAAATTAATTGTACAAGACCCAACAACAATACAAGAAAA
AGTATCCGTATCCAGAGAGGACCAGGGAGAGCATTGTGTTACAATAGGAAAAATA
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TTAAAACAGATAGATAGCAAATTAAGAGAACAATTTGGAAATAATAAAACAATA
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GCTAGTTGGAGTAATAAATCTCTGGAACAGATTTGGAATAACATGACCTGGATG
GAGTGGGACAGAGAAATTAACAATTACACA

Table 15
Amino acid sequence of
HIV portion of protein KH1

Met Val Trp Lys Glu Ala Thr Thr Thr Leu Phe Cys Ala Ser Asp Ala Lys Ala Tyr
Asp Thr Glu Val His Asn Val Trp Ala Thr His Ala Cys Val Pro Thr Asp Pro
Asn Pro Gln Glu Val Val Leu Val Asn Val Thr Glu Asn Phe Asn Met Trp Lys
Asn Asp Met Val Glu Gln Met His Glu Asp Ile Ile Ser Leu Trp Asp Gln Ser
Leu Lys Pro Cys Val Lys Leu Thr Pro Leu Cys Val Ser Leu Lys Cys Thr Asp
Leu Lys Asn Asp Thr Asn Thr Asn Ser Ser Ser Gly Arg Met Ile Met Glu Lys
Gly Glu Ile Lys Asn Cys Ser Phe Asn Ile Ser Thr Ser Ile Arg Gly Lys Val
Gln Lys Glu Tyr Ala Phe Phe Tyr Lys Leu Asp Ile Ile Pro Ile Asp Asn Asp
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Pro Lys Val Ser Phe Glu Pro Ile Pro Ile His Tyr Cys Ala Pro Ala Gly Phe
Ala Ile Leu Lys Cys Asn Asn Lys Thr Phe Asn Gly Thr Gly Pro Cys Thr Asn
Val Ser Thr Val Gln Cys Thr His Gly Ile Arg Pro Val Val Ser Thr Gln Leu
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Thr Asp Asn Ala Lys Thr Ile Ile Val Gln Leu Asn Gln Ser Val Glu Ile Asn
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Asn Ile Ser Arg Ala Lys Trp Asn Asn Thr Leu Lys Gln Ile Asp Ser Lys Leu
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Asp Pro Glu Ile Val Thr His Ser Phe Asn Cys Gly Gly Glu Phe Phe Tyr Cys
Asn Ser Thr Gln Leu Phe Asn Ser Thr Trp Phe Asn Ser Thr Trp Ser Thr Lys
Gly Ser Asn Asn Thr Glu Gly Ser Asp Thr Ile Thr Leu Pro Cys Arg Ile Lys
Gln Ile Ile Asn Met Trp Gln Glu Val Gly Lys Ala Met Tyr Ala Pro Pro Ile
Ser Gly Gln Ile Arg Cys Ser Ser Asn Ile Thr Gly Leu Leu Leu Thr Arg Asp
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Table 15 (cont.)

LeuGlyValAlaProThrLysAlaLysArgArgValValGlnArgGluLysArg
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IleValGlnGlnGlnAsnAsnLeuLeuArgAlaIleGluAlaGlnGlnHisLeu
LeuGlnLeuThrValTrpGlyIleLysGlnLeuGlnAlaArgIleLeuAlaVal
GluArgTyrLeuLysAspGlnGlnLeuLeuGlyIleTrpGlyCysSerGlyLys
LeuIleCysThrThrAlaValProTrpAsnAlaSerTrpSerAsnLysSerLeu
GluGlnIleTrpAsnAsnMetThrTrpMetGluTrpAspArgGluIleAsnAsn
TyrThr

Table 15A
Nucleotide sequence encoding
HIV portion of protein KHI

ATGGTGTGGAAGGAAGCAACCACCACTCTATTTTGTGCATCAGATGCTAAAGCATAT
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TTGAAGAATGATACTAATACCAATAGTAGTAGCGGGAGAATGATAATGGAGAAA
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CAGAAAGAATATGCATTTTTTTTATAAACTTGATATAATACCAATAGATAATGAT
ACTACCAGCTATACGTTGACAAGTTGTAACACCTCAGTCATTACACAGGCCTGT
CCAAAGSTATCCTTTGAGCCAATTCCCATACATTATTGTGCCCGGCTGGTTTT
GCGATTCTAAAATGTAATAATAAGACGTTCAATGGAACAGGACCATGTACAAAT
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AATTCAACACAACCTGTTTAATAGTACTTGGTTTAATAGTACTTGGAGTACTAAA
GGGTCAAATAACACTGAAGGAAGTACACAATCACCCCTCCCATGCAGAAATAAAA
CAAATTATAACATGTGGCAGGAAGTAGGAAAAGCAATGTATGCCCTCCCATC
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Table 15A (cont.)

GGTGGTAATAGCAACAATGAGTCCGAGATCTTCAGACCTGGAGGAGGAGATATG
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CTCATTTGCACCACTGCTGTGCCTTGGAAATGCTAGTTGGAGTAATAAATCTCTG
GAACAGATTTGGAATAACATGACCTGGATGGAGTGGGACAGAGAAATTAACAAT
TACACA

The claims defining the invention are as follows:

1. A process for stimulating a lymphocyte proliferative response in humans which comprises treating humans in need of stimulation of a lymphocyte proliferative response with a recombinant HIV portion of an HTLV-III protein selected from the group consisting of R10, PB1, 590 and KH1, wherein members of said group are as hereinbefore described.
2. A process, according to claim 1, wherein said recombinant HIV portion is the HTLV-III protein portion of R10.
3. A process, according to claim 1, wherein said recombinant HIV portion is the HTLV-III protein portion of PB1.
4. A process, according to claim 1, wherein said recombinant HIV portion is the HTLV-III protein portion of 590.
5. A process, according to claim 1, wherein said recombinant HIV portion is the HTLV-III protein portion of KH1.

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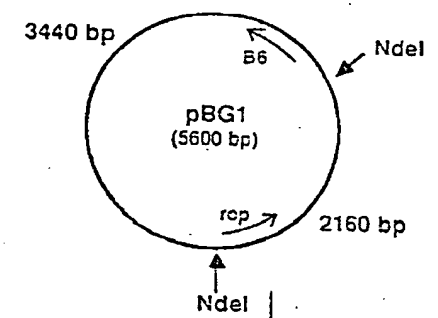


Figure 1. Construction of expression vector pREV2.2

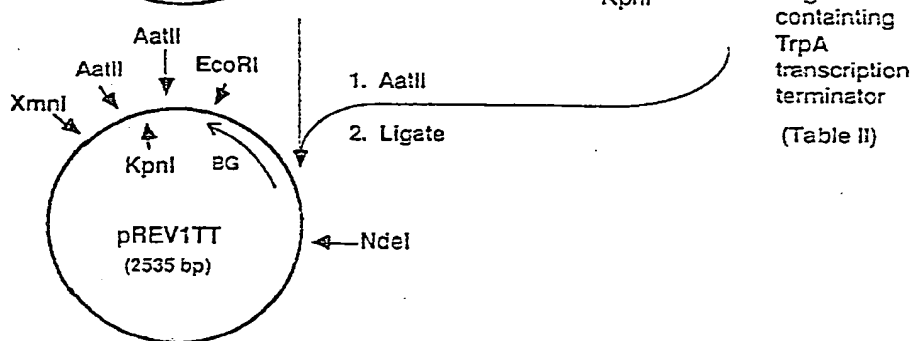
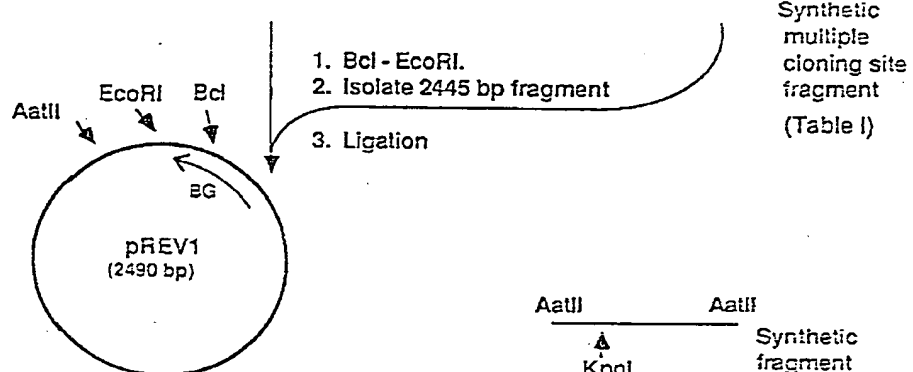
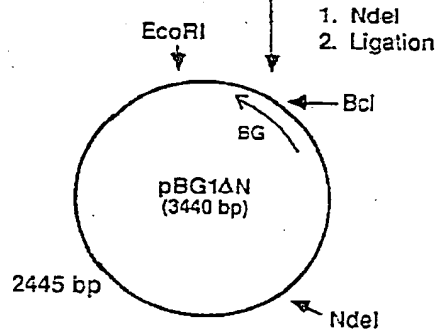
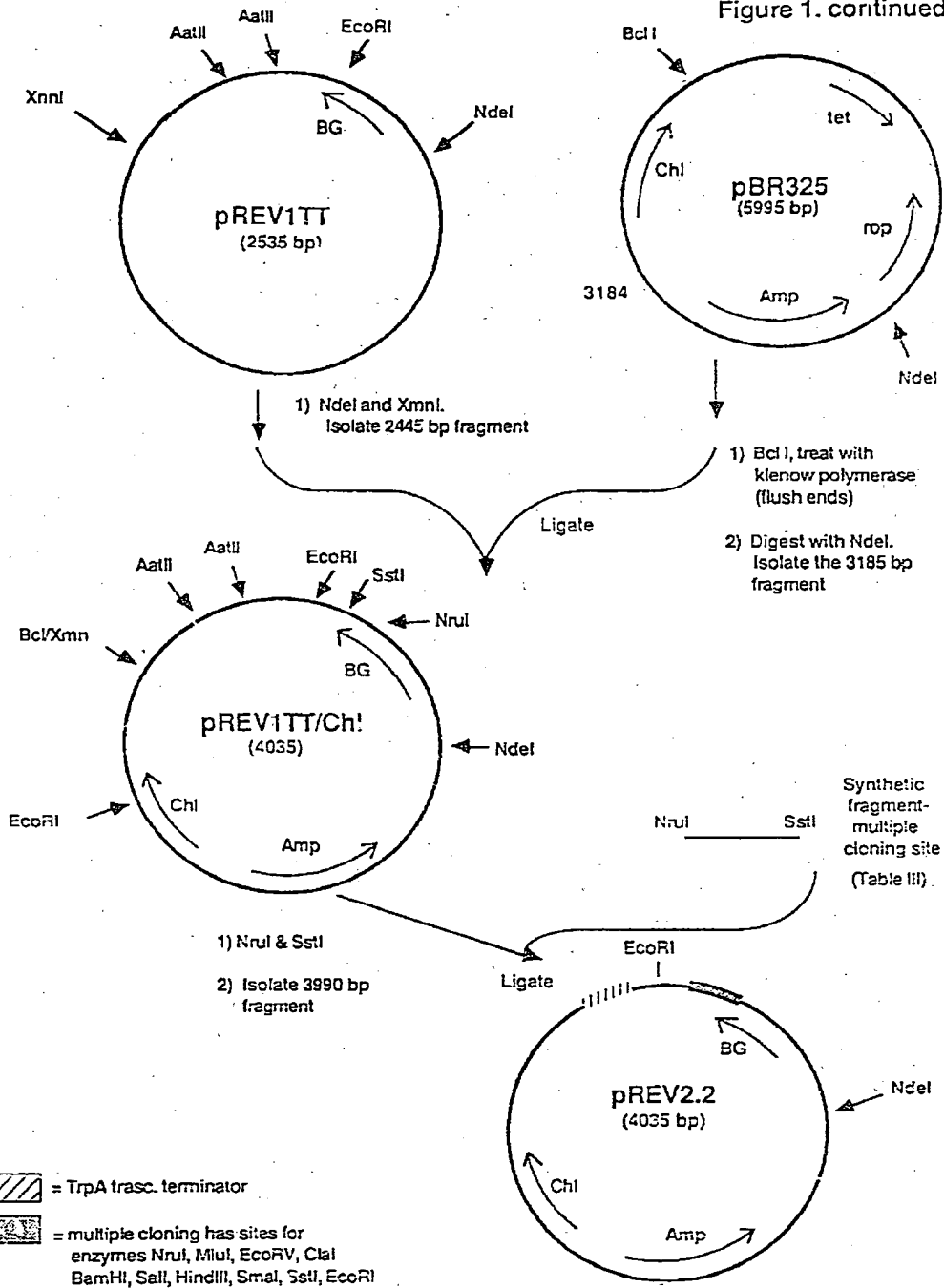


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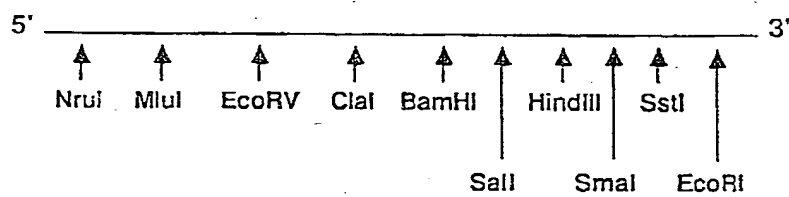
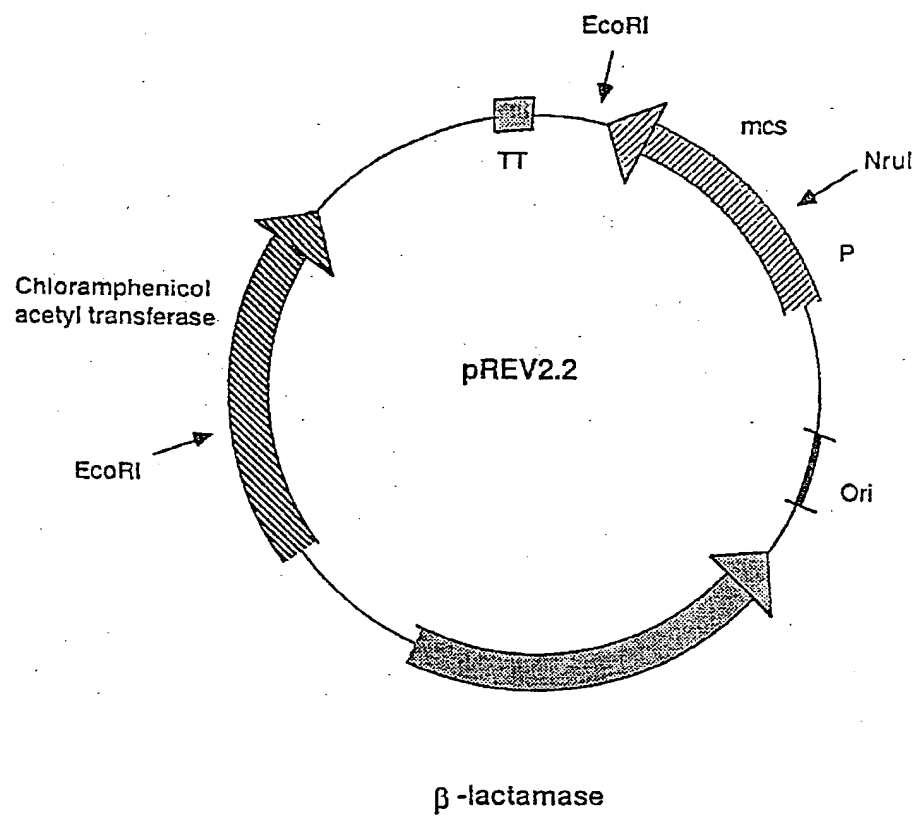


Figure 2. Schematic of pREV2.2 and of Multiple Cloning Site

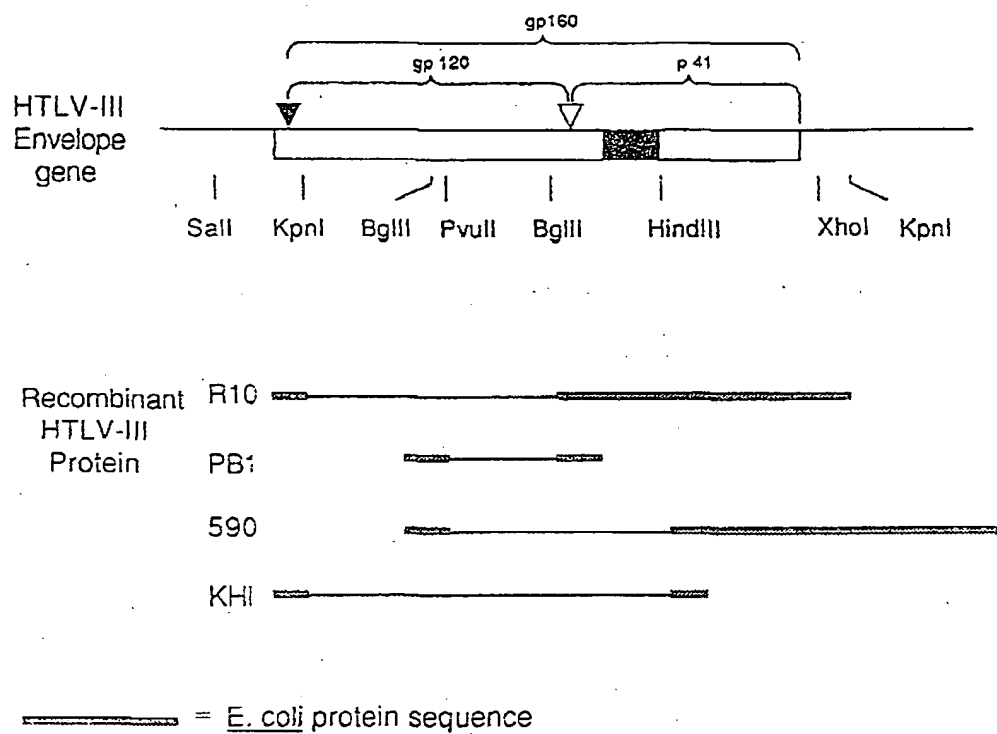


Figure 3. Schematic of HTLV-III envelope gene and recombinant proteins obtained therefrom.

FIGURE 4

Removal of N-Terminal Non-HIV Sequences of pBL

HinfI
AGGAGTCCCTTATGTTACGTCTGTAGAAACCCCAACCCCGTGAATATCAAAAAACTCGACGGC

Nru ← REV | env →
 CTGTGGGCATTGAGTCGGATCGC.....CATCTGAACCAATCTGTA.....

oligonucleotide

AGGAGTCCCTTATGCTGAACCAATCTGTA

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FIGURE 5

Removal of C-Terminal Non-HIV Sequences from PBI

← env →
AACAAATGAGTCCGAGATCCTGGACAAAGCTTCCCGGAGCTCGAATTCCTTGAAGACGAAAGCCCT....

Oligonucleotide

AACAAATGAGTCCGAGATCTGAAGACGAAAGGCCCTCGTG

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